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Death Of Rabbi Wise

A PROMINENT ZIONIST

New York, Apr. 19.—Rabbi Stephen Wise, 75-year-old Jewish leader, died here today.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, on March 17, 1874, Dr Wise was brought to the United States when he was 10 years old by his parents, who became minister of the temple of Odeph Shalom in New York City.

Dr Wise was educated in New York public schools and at Columbia University. He began his career at the age of 19 when he was appointed one of the assistants to Dr Henry Jacobs, rabbi of Madison Avenue Synagogue. Within the year he became head of the synagogue.

He was only 23 when he declined the post of rabbi of the Temple El Emmanuel, whose congregation was one of New York's richest.

OWN SYNAGOGUE

Instead, he decided to have a synagogue of his own and in 1907 established "The Free Synagogue" with the backing of Mr Henry Morgenthau and other prominent New Yorkers. He had been rabbi of this organization ever since then. It was organized as a democratic group with the rabbi given complete freedom of religious and social work.

Dr Wise figured prominently in the Zionist movement after World War I. He was one of the founders of the Foundation of American Zionists and throughout his career was ardent spokesman for Zionism in the United States. Among the first Americans to recognize the menace of Hitlerism to world peace, he frequently called for a boycott of German goods during the early stages of Nazism.

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Princess To Visit Italy

London, Apr. 19.—Princess Margaret is going to Italy for a private tour next month. It was learned here tonight. This will be the second trip to the Continent for the Princess, who is 19 next August. It is also the first visit by a member of the Royal Family to an ex-enemy territory since the war. The actual date of her departure has not yet been decided, but it is understood that Princess Margaret will leave early in May, and will spend four weeks in Italy, visiting main centres of historic and artistic interest.—Reuter.

ULTIMATUM TO WBVs

Rangoon, Apr. 19.—Burma Government forces, with Maymyo, 35 miles west of Mandalay back in their hands, today issued a 48-hour ultimatum to the White Band Communists inside Mandalay to come outside the city and face them in battle.

The Army challenge said that if the Communists did not come out, and thus avoid battle losses in civilian life and property, the Government troops would assault the city and annihilate them.

The Government appealed to the Buddhist clergy and citizens inside Mandalay to urge the White Band Volunteers to quit the city, around which isolated attacks between the two forces were reported tonight.

The Government's communiqué tonight said its aircraft had bombed three rebel concentrations in Moulmein district villages on the east coast, scoring direct hits. It added that the Communists, with Karen support, were massing for an attack on the Moulingeung rice centre, 70 miles southwest of Rangoon.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Reds Show Their Hand

THE Chinese Communists' original eight demands for peace with the Nationalists have now been extended to a 24-point programme, typical of a party which feels itself strong enough to make a "take it or suffer the consequences" offer. The programme confirms the worst fears of the KMT. While it contains a slight modification in the "war criminals" demand, it is wholeheartedly designed to make the Reds complete masters of the political and military future of China. For example, a coalition government is suggested, but it will be under the strict guidance of the Communist Party. It envisages a seven-member supreme policy-making council, but again its chairman will be chosen by the Communists. The People's National Assembly will adopt a new constitution, the drafting of which will be in the hands of a Communist-controlled New Political Consultative Council. On the provocative subject of the future of the Army, the Reds have definite ideas: Nationalist troops are to await reorganization on the lines of the measures adopted in Peiping, which means nothing less than liquidation of the Nationalist forces. And the Navy and Air Force are to be handed over to the coalition government, which, translated into more realistic terms, means they are to come under the direct control of the Reds. Agrarian reform, if the vague terms of clauses 21 and 22 can be so classed, is to follow the pattern adopted in the Manchuria and North China "liberated" areas, namely, partial confiscation of private property, and, at some unstated date, the introduction of measures for reducing rentals and interest, and still later, application of the "three mu for each farmer" principle. These, together with the confiscation of properties now

held by Chiang Kai-shek, T. V. Soong, H. H. Kung, Chen Li-fu and Chen Ku-fu, are the chief features of the Communists' domestic programme. The only clue to their foreign relations policy is contained in a clause which demands repudiation of a number of Sino-American agreements, the majority of which are post-war pacts, and rendition to the coalition government by the United States of "Imperialistic" rights. These two conditions could be regarded as a sign that the Chinese Reds are willing to toe the Soviet line in its foreign policy, though it has to be observed that they are, at present, only directed against the United States. Nevertheless, if they were to represent the foreign relations policy of a Chinese coalition government operating under the aegis of the Communists, there would be no cause for the Western Powers generally to congratulate themselves on having to deal with such an administration.

Mao Tse-tung's 24-point programme as a basis for a peace conference has still to be officially announced and Nanking's reactions known thereto. The conditions are severe and the constitution of the so-called coalition government will fool nobody. The only question of doubt which now arises is whether Li Tsing-jen and his colleagues are prepared to accept the Communist terms, or withdraw whatever Nationalist forces remain to the South in an effort to thwart the Reds from imposing their will there. The Communists' terms are tantamount to an unconditional surrender challenge, seemingly intended to indicate the Reds' confidence in themselves, and also to force Nanking into making a rapid decision. The odds are, however, that peace negotiations, as such, will break down.

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REDS READY TO ATTACK

Nanking, Apr. 20.—The fateful battle for the Yangtse Valley and control of all China may be only hours away. The government last night rejected a Red demand for unopposed crossings of the mighty river, an official source said. This is expected to be the signal for a Red smash to the South bank.

The Communists had set up a new list of conditions for peace. Among them were the unopposed crossings. They told the government to agree by Wednesday (today) or take the consequences. No hour was set. The government reportedly made a counter proposal, but most observers predicted its quick rejection by the Reds.

Shortly before the government decision, the Communist radio declared 400,000 Red veterans had finished all preparations to strike across the River in the Nanking-Shanghai area.

In all the Communists are believed to have 1,000,000 veterans in position to attack along some 650 miles of the Yangtse River front. The Government has possibly 500,000 troops to meet the assault.

The Communists accompanied the broadcast with probing raids. These stung the few bridgeheads the Government still holds on the North bank. They tested the thin Nationalist defence line on the South bank.

Nanking was deep in gloom. Police sentries were doubled. Reinforced garrison patrols moved through the capital with full combat equipment. Families of officials were leaving town.

Citizens were sure that large scale fighting was near after three months of an unofficial and uneasy truce.

Not since January 15, when the Communists conquered the Northern Industrial city of Tientsin, had there been a battle-worthy of the name. The weeks dragged by in negotiations.

FINAL CONCESSIONS

The official source said the Government was handing the Communists a counter-proposal

Better Late Than Never

London, Apr. 19.—A 76-year-old Royal Marine pensioner, William Gregory, has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the Admiralty 49 years after a China war exploit which earned it.

Mr. Gregory was a corporal in a force of 70 Marines which successfully defended the British Legation at Peking in 1900. Badly wounded in a sortie he was mentioned in despatches and promoted.

In the First World War he was in the Royal Marines and in the last war in the Home Guard. He has two sons in the Navy.

At the Royal Marine Headquarters in London it was stated that the delay in making the award was not due to forgetfulness. An officer said: "There is only a certain quota of Meritorious Service Medals and the quota is normally filled so that an award cannot be made until a vacancy arises from the death of a holder. The award carries with it a small annuity."—Reuter.

Plan Prepared To Keep India Within Commonwealth

London, Apr. 19.—A compromise plan for keeping India in the British Commonwealth will be placed before the meeting of the Prime Ministers when it convenes on Thursday.

A delegate said that the compromise probably would enable India to stay within the Commonwealth even after India proclaimed herself a republic. He said this would so strengthen the Commonwealth that the suggested Pacific pact against aggression would not be necessary.

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, will hold private conversations with each of the visiting delegates before they start their formal work. Mr Attlee will start by seeing Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan and Stephen Senanayake of Ceylon and possibly Daniel Malan of South Africa and Foreign Minister Lester Pearson of Canada. He planned to see Peter Fraser of New Zealand, Joseph B. Chifley of Australia and Jawaharlal Nehru of India on Thursday.

Authoritative Indian quarters were of the opinion that a solution might be found by which India as a republic could stay in the Commonwealth with a president, replacing the Governor-general which the King sends to all Commonwealth countries. Under such formula, the President could act as the King's representative. The King himself would be recognized as the "first citizen" of the Commonwealth.

DELEGATES ARRIVE

Canada's Foreign Minister, Mr Lester Pearson, was the first to arrive by plane yesterday and Premier Malan of South Africa arrived today. Pakistan's Foreign Minister Sir Zafrullah Khan was due here by nightfall and the Prime Ministers of Australia, New Zealand, India, Ceylon and Pakistan were due tomorrow.

The last to arrive will be India's Premier Nehru of India, described by Commonwealth relations quarters today as the "Hamlet of the conference" pondering whether India is "to be or not to be" a member of the Commonwealth.

Commonwealth relations officials emphasized that the conference would be a top secret. They described the proceedings as "very ticklish" and said it was doubtful whether any information would be made public until the participating statesmen had returned to their countries.

Official sources said the British government wishes to "maintain as close relations with India as she may desire herself."

South African sources believed that the circle of Commonwealth can be widened by the entry of those who enter on the common basis of free association among self-governing communities."

The British press today pondered over the question and offered no solution.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph said, "If India feels her

Crown Counsel Asks For Inquiry Into Telephone Company Accounts

"If it were a matter of minor irregularities Government would not make a point of upsetting the arbitration. The intention of my application at this stage is for the arbitrators to exercise their powers under section 40 to enquire into the Telephone Company accounts so that we may know to what extent the charges made have been lawful or unlawful," said Mr A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, when he represented the Government at the Telephone Company—Hongkong. Government Arbitration hearing which commenced in the board room of the S. C. M. Post this morning.

The arbitrators are Mr J. McNeill and Mr P. D. A. Chiddell. Instructing Crown Counsel is Mr L. R. Andrews, Crown Solicitor, while the Telephone Company are represented by Mr Eldon Potter, K.C., Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr D. A. Wright instructed by Messrs Deacons.

Mr Percy Chen, instructed by Mr W. H. Young, is holding a watching brief on behalf of Ng Fuk-chu, Yau Sun, the Star Hotel Ltd., Chuen Yee Hong, Ku Chock-jun, F. Au Pun, Wong Tai-chiu and Hui Kwok-ho, all members of the Preparatory Committee of the Hongkong Chinese Reform Association.

In his opening, Mr Lonsdale dealt with a point arising from a communication to Government from the Chairman of Directors of the Telephone Company. Counsel said that in 1945 the prewar rates and charges under the Telephone Ordinance were in force, and that the rates and charges were not in conformity with the Defence Regulations or the Telephone Ordinance. It was brought to the attention of the Company's advisers in a roundabout fashion through the solicitors of the Company. It was assumed in the correspondence that the figures of rates supplied by Government and on analysis it was found in Government's view that the profits which were being made were sufficient as to justify the original offer of 90 percent increase on business telephones which had been put forward by Government. At this stage negotiations broke down and the Company advised them that they were going to arbitration. Crown Counsel said that throughout this time Government had been working on the assumption, and a justified assumption, that the Company were being supplied concerned purely lawful charges. It was at this stage that a communication was made by the Government to the Company that it had some suspicion that some of the rates and charges were not in conformity with the Defence Regulations or the Telephone Ordinance. It was brought to the attention of the Company's advisers in a roundabout fashion through the solicitors of the Company. It was assumed in the correspondence that the figures of rates supplied by Government and on analysis it was found in Government's view that the profits which were being made were sufficient as to justify the original offer of 90 percent increase on business telephones which had been put forward by Government.

COMPANY'S REPLY

Government asked the solicitors of the Company for confirmation of this assumption and the reply given was neither an admission nor a denial. The last paragraph of the letter to Government, said Counsel, stated that the solicitors felt that the request was tantamount to asking their advice to the company on figures which they had not as yet had an opportunity to consider.

ACCOUNTS ANALYSED

Mr Lonsdale said that Government then asked for

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HE'S SEEKING BETTER FRAMES FOR PICTURES

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY

New York. ROBERT Holland is framing plans for better framed picture frames on American walls. Holland, a good-looking young frame designer and maker, claims that one of the most neglected phases of home decoration is picture frames. Good looking pictures are ruined with too-narrow frames, and dismal prints are left in their gloomy state by unimaginative framing.

Holland has managed to improve the frames of his own clients by a new personal service. He goes to their homes or apartments, by appointment, and sees the pictures in the settings where they'll be hung. Then he recommends proper frames, and even suggests more suitable pictures if the client asks advice.

But for the benefit of the average homeowner who must choose for himself, Holland decided to prepare a booklet of advice. He'd like to distribute it on a national scale, since he firmly believes that ill-framed pictures are a nationwide malady.

Whenever possible, he advises against very narrow frames, even on tiny pictures. "Try using scoop frames, deep ones, on your miniatures and you'll be delighted with the beautiful results," he said. In a scoop frame the picture is set deep and the frame extends out from it either in a curved or straight line. If the print were laid face up on a table, the picture would appear to be at the bottom of a rectangular bowl.

Oil paintings require simple, solid frames for dignity, but for water colours or photographs Holland specialises in unusual techniques.

Narrow Frames Taboo

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The important proteins come from such foods as meat, milk, eggs, beans, and peas. It is especially important to give the right type of protein foods in sufficient amounts in cases of injury or burns, following surgery, and during chronic or prolonged infections.

Not Proper Food

The amount of protein in the diet may be deficient because the food given is not proper, or because eating is difficult owing to age or to such conditions as ulcer of the stomach, chronic kidney disease, or other illnesses. Sometimes enough food is eaten but it is not taken up and used by the body because of vomiting, diarrhea, bowel infections or liver disease. If, for some reason, the amount of protein in the diet is restricted, the water intake should also be reduced, since large amounts of fluids will cause the body to eliminate some of the protein. Either too much or too little salt is harmful in such cases. There should be about one gram of salt (1/30 of an ounce) in a diet which supplies about 1800 calories a day.

Sufficient protein in the diet will reduce the burden on the liver. It would appear that egg white is an excellent source of protein, as is whole egg and whole milk.

There are certain preparations made up of amino acids which are the substances of which proteins are composed. These should be utilized in special cases, but in a person who can get enough protein food these substances are, as a rule, unnecessary.

Use of Protein

Among the conditions which interfere with the use of protein by the body are disorders of the blood, glandular disturbances, including diabetes, toxic goiter, and gout. In these conditions, the protein intake should be carefully controlled and, of course, the proper treatment for the various disorders carried out. Before and after operations, special attention should be given to the protein intake in the diet. As a matter of fact, every healthy person should see that his diet contains enough of the right kinds of proteins.

It was one of the first to use wide, dark mats on pictures instead of the traditional margin of white. "A water colour can be made to look larger by using a mat," Holland explained. "And it can be brightened for a dark corner with a light colour or subdued for a bright wall with a darker mat and frame."

Newest Frame Idea

Framed photographs, in the opinion of Holland, are usually extremely dull, except for the sentimental value. He regards fine photography as a 20th century development, and believes photographs should be framed accordingly, "rather than in the dull, tasteless manner of the narrow black frame with white mat."

The newest framing idea for modern pictures is the receding frame. The picture is set out from the wall, and the frame slants away from it. Holland does these frames in natural, light woods, antiqued white, and even in frames covered with a fabric to match drapes or slipcovers in a room.

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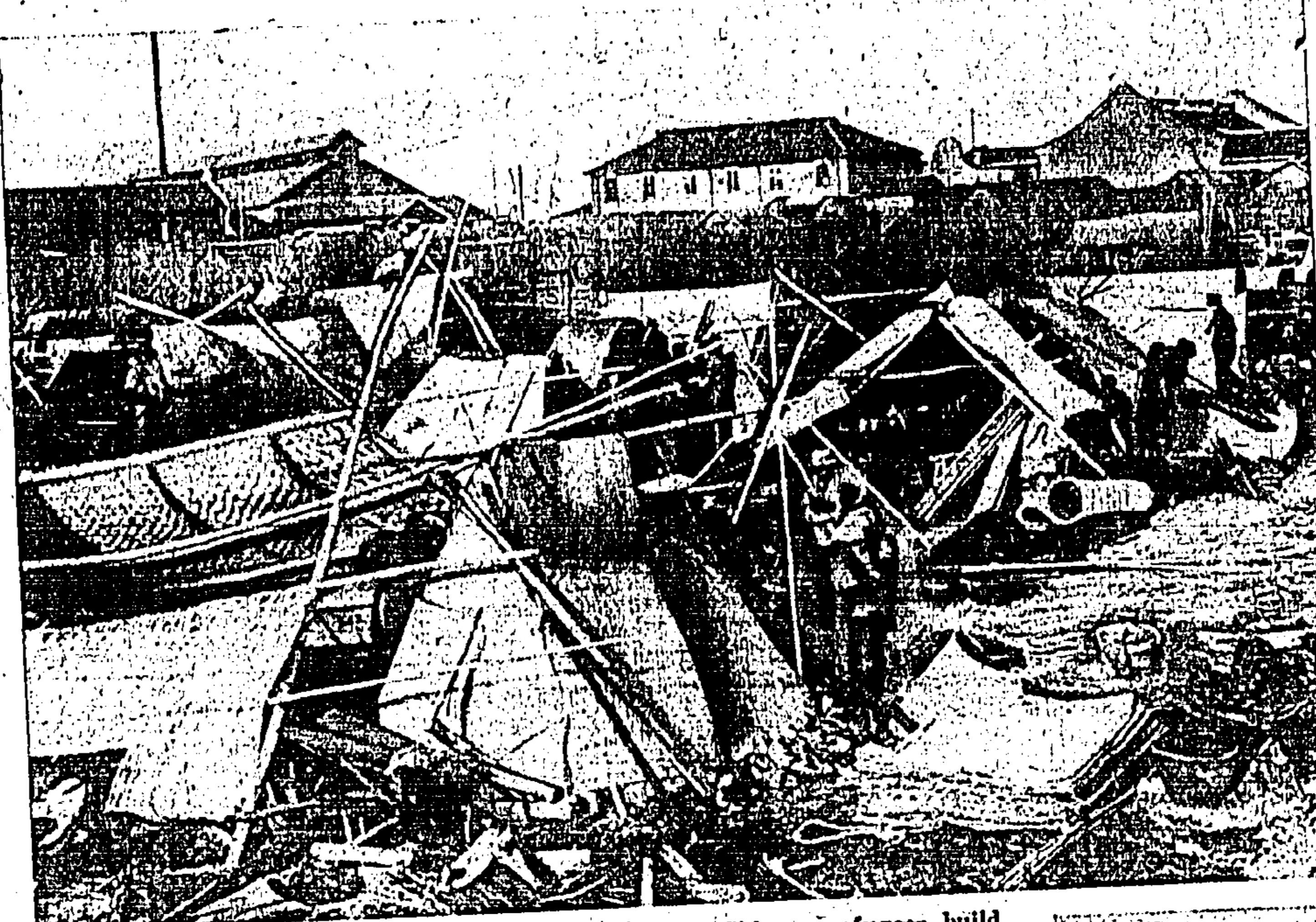
By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

WE are familiar with the all-important food part called protein. It is necessary in the diet not only for the repair of worn-out tissues but for building new tissues as well. When the body weight and strength are threatened by disease, the quality of the diet is much more important than the quantity or the caloric value. This is especially true in regard to the proteins.

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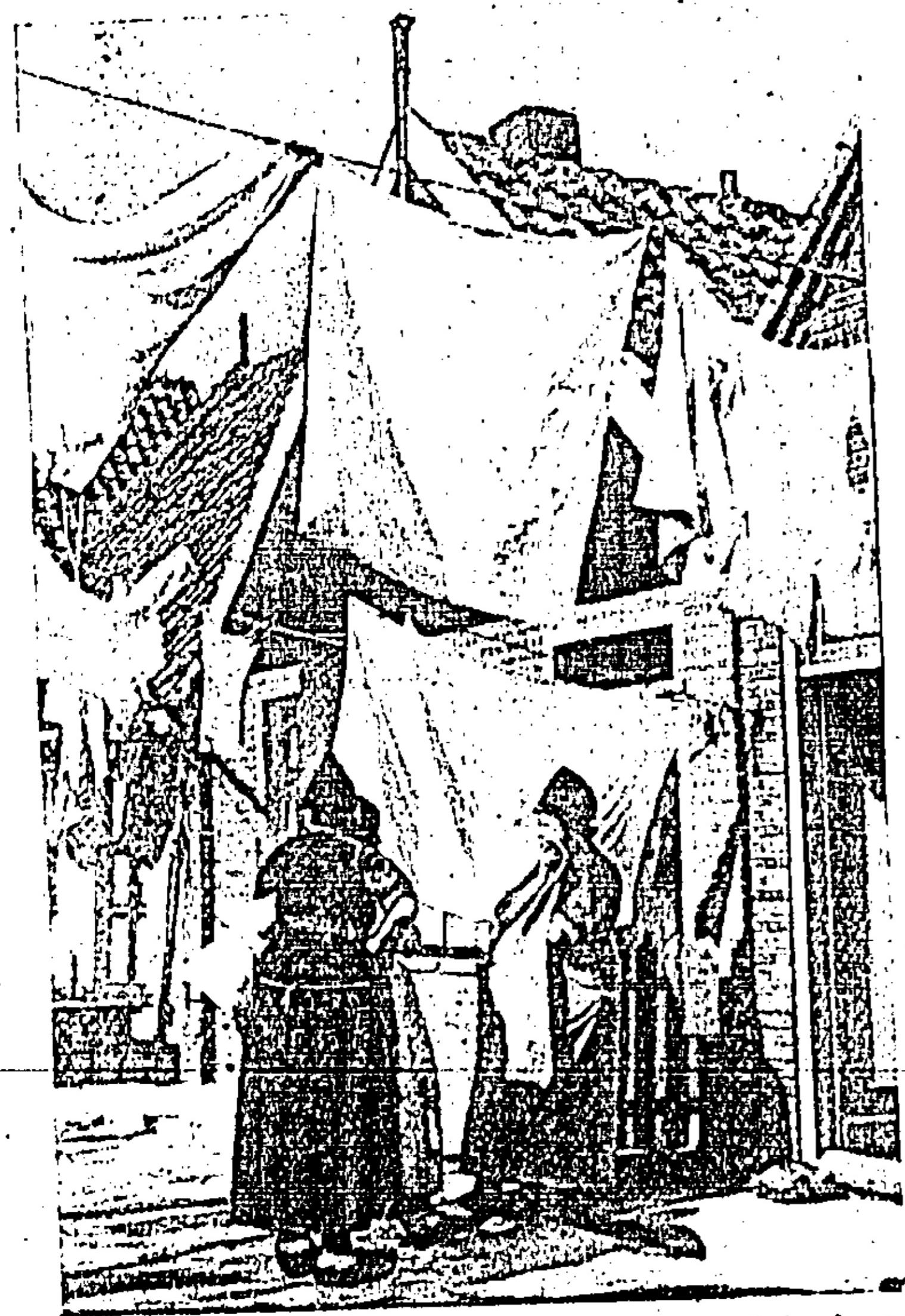
SPRING IS HERE—And with it these young fishermen in northern Idaho have bass for dinner. More than half of the state's population bought fishing permits last year.



MISERY—In already overcrowded Shanghai, starving Chinese refugees build temporary homes wherever they can find sufficient space. These helpless victims of the frequent fires that rapidly destroy their flimsy bamboo-straw huts, pitch in and wearily start rebuilding with the same inflammable materials—which are all they can obtain.



FLYING HOME—With all four hoofs in mid-air, Ramadan, left, jockey W. Zakoor up, comes on to win over Rare Jewel at Tropical Park in Miami. The odds-on favourite was beaten by a nose, despite being ridden by Logan Batcheller, the current leading winner at the Florida meetings.



WASH DAY—A laundry would not find much business in Volendam, Holland, where all the washing is done at home. Hanging out the weekly wash is a social occasion, and these housewives have no use for clothes pegs, preferring to twine the clothes around the line.

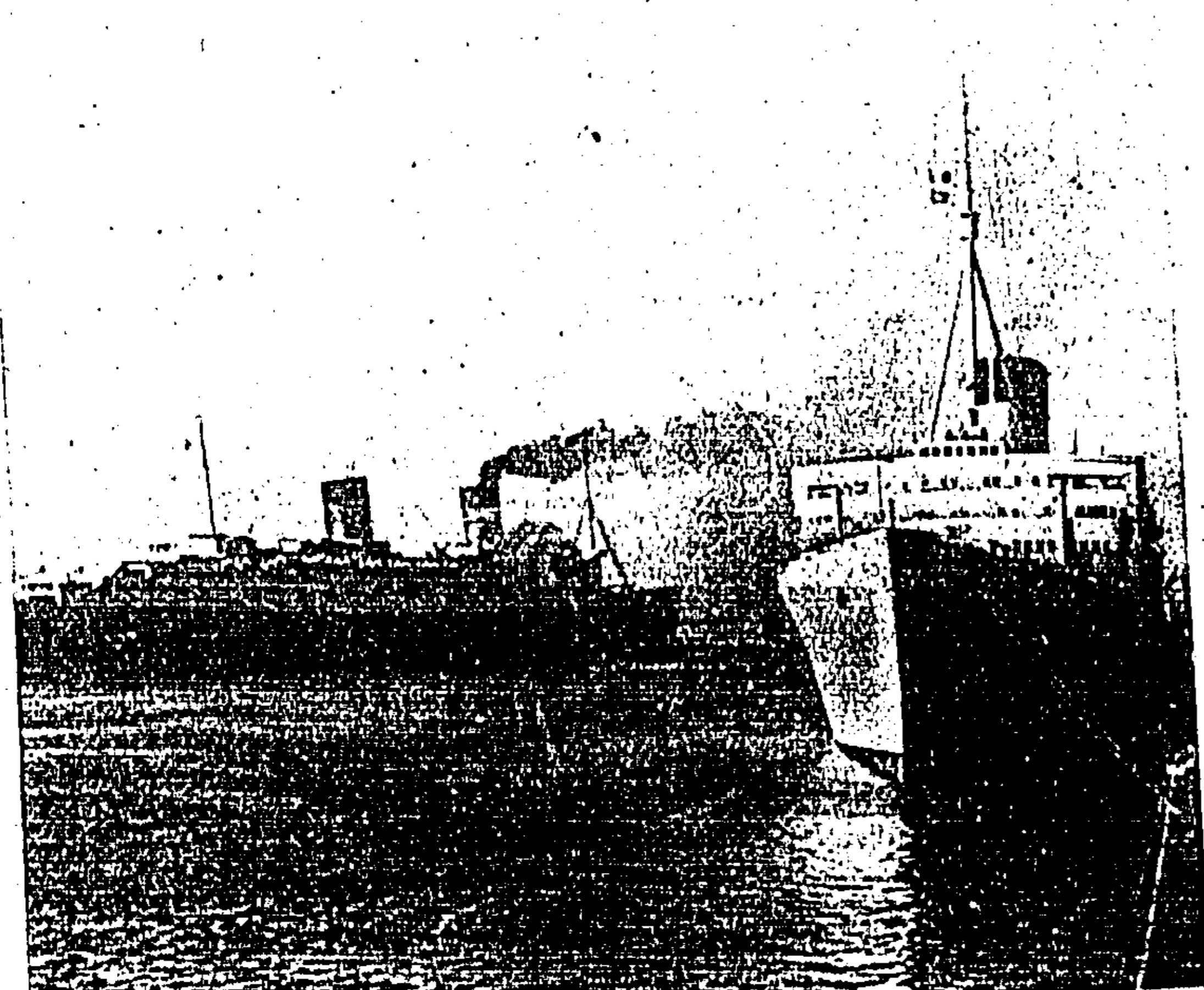


OLD-TIMER—Thirteen-month-old David Doty absorbs the lore of the old railway days from great-grandfather Gilford S. Woods in Oak Park, Illinois. Woods, now 97, who surveyed routings for the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad during the '70s, is almost as old as the 100-year-old line itself. Still agile, he operates a prosperous rail supply business. The car little David is fondling is a far cry from those used on the line during the old days.



NOMINATED—Because no college in New York felt it had a co-ed beautiful enough to enter a film contest for "most beautiful and talented freshman," an independent group at Columbia University nominated Karen Lewis.

WATER THRILLS—Nancy Stilley is getting an exciting ride in Winter Haven, Florida, on Trammell Pickett's sea-going surf-board. While taking a fast turn, Nancy hangs on and grimly hopes for the best. Win or lose, she'll be soaking wet.



LIZ GREETES A FRESHMAN—The British liner Queen Elizabeth passes Britain's newest liner, Caronia, while steaming out of Southampton. The Caronia, largest ship built since the end of the war, is the newest Cunard White Star liner.



WINDFALL—When Art Teets and Ward Vickers decided to take a two-year world cruise, they invited the public down to the pier in Wilmington, California. About 1,500 people turned up with tins, sacks and boxes of food. They brought enough to stock the schooner California with supplies to last the entire crew of six for 400 days.

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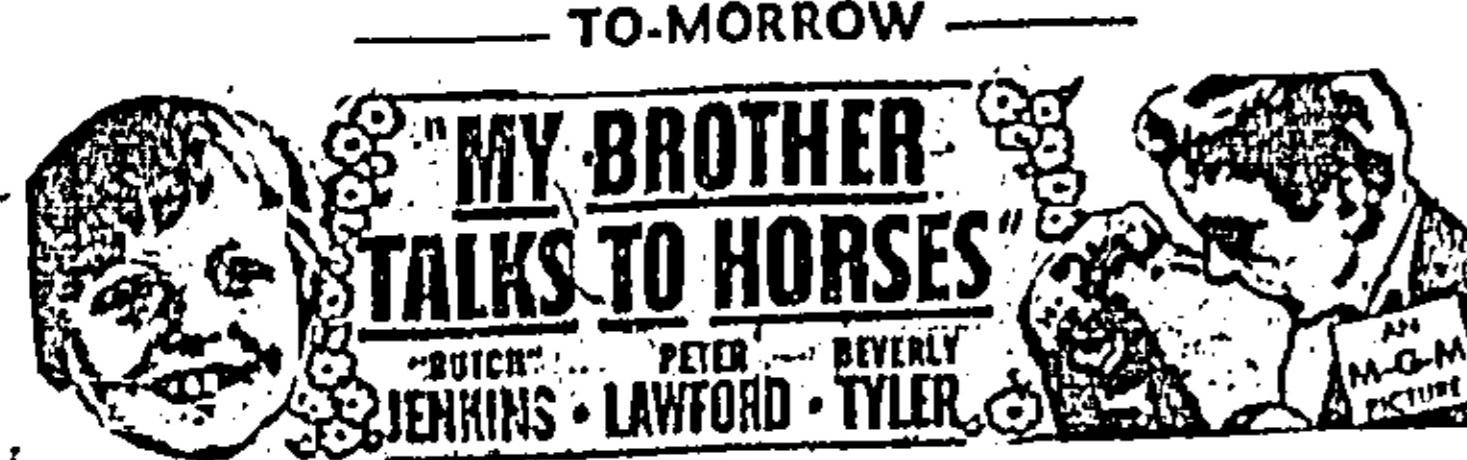
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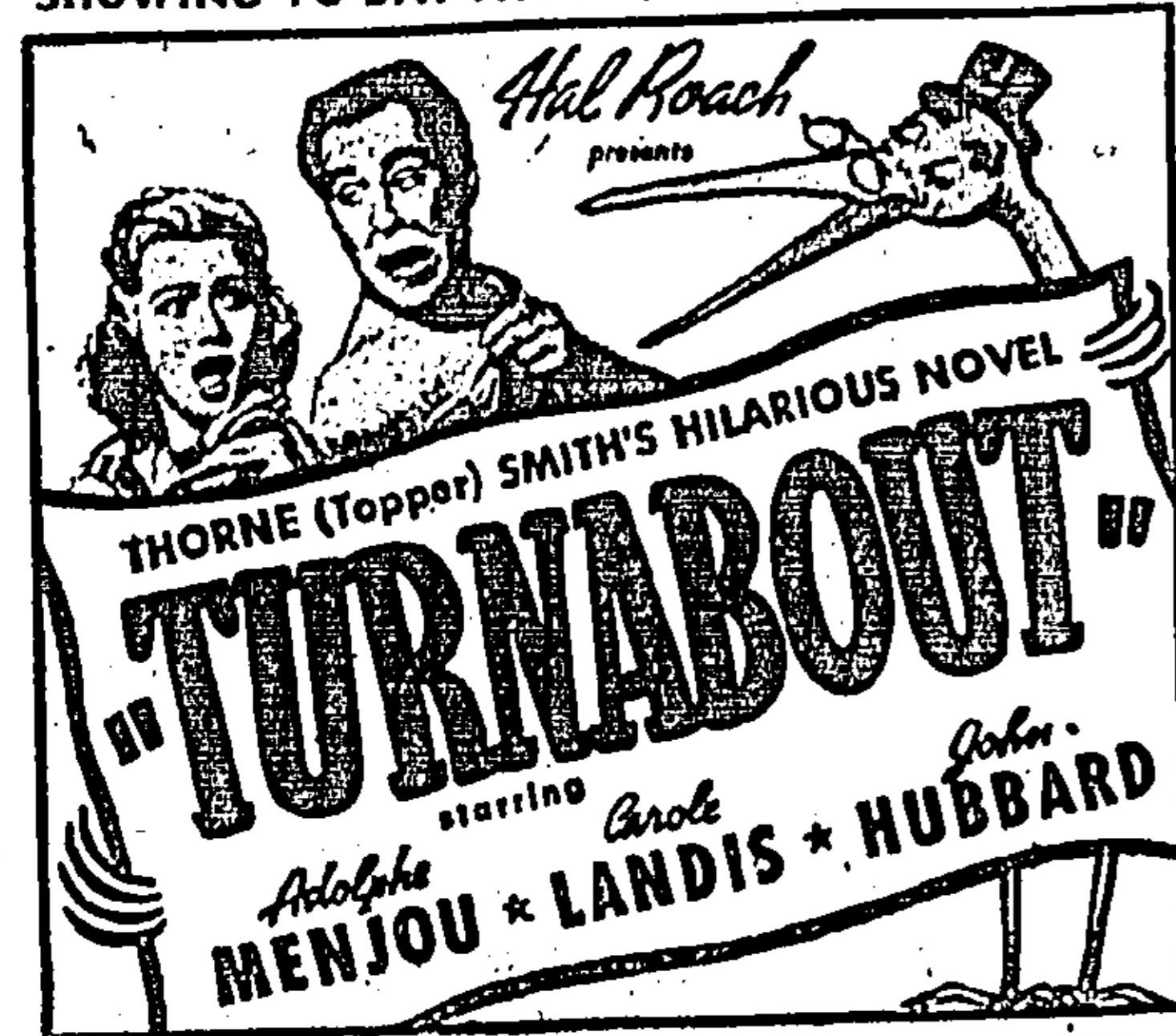


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Sitting on the Fence... by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

Here is her reply to his last letter:

DEAR MOUSER,

I can't tell you how thrilled I was to get your letter. New York sounds simply marvellous, with its aches flowing with milk and honey and its swell guys, though I don't suppose any of them are sweller than you.

Of course, it would be quite easy to hitch-hike to Southampton and walk up the gangway of the next liner sailing west, but I must ask you this question first:

What would be my status? I mean would it be just a platonic friendship and would it be accepted by your people?

Although I think you were perfectly sweet while you were over here, I do think you are inclined to have the same opinion about all girls. I mean yours is rather a one-track mind, isn't it? I do so think you ought to understand that some girls have brains, too.

Another thing I would like to know is: "Do you live in a pent house?" I like to think of you living in a New York pent house with your dear old mother, her tabby fur turning grey, who simply adores you.

I would be terribly sweet to your dear old mother if you have one. I am sure we would get on marvellously together.

And one more question. (Aren't I a nosy parker?)

Have you a ranch out West, or in the Middle West or somewhere? I mean a gopher ranch or one of those exciting places I have heard about.

Longing to hear from you, LOTTIE.

★ ★ ★
Cable from Manhattan Mouser:

What's biting you, sugar puss? Quit worrying about a status when you have a swell chassis. Sure I live in a pent house. Everybody here lives in a pent house or a nut house. We all have old mothers whose fur is turning grey and who are English duchesses what have been the girl friends of English dukes.

When you are tired of New York we will go to my ranch in old Wyoming where there are plenty of gophers and suckers too. Then we will take a slow boat to China. What are you waiting for honey cat?

MANHATTAN MOUSER.

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—(London Express Service).

Working Man's Picture Gallery

By RONALD BOXALL

London, Apr. 8. MOST Londoners who use the Underground are in a hurry—hurrying to work or hurrying home, dashing to a cinema in time for the last performance, or dashing home to get to bed before midnight. When they are not in a hurry, they are tired. Too tired or too intent on getting where they are going to worry about such a thing as Art.

Yet the London Transport Executive, which operates not only the vast and intricate "tube" system, but also the bus, trolley-bus and tram services—and, more recently, a water bus service on the Thames—has become the patron of a new art medium which, for want of a better term, is called "commercial art."

Commercial art is exactly what its name suggests. The "high-brows" may scorn it because of its undisguised profit-making motive, but it is becoming too big to ignore. Artists are no longer content to live in a garret on bread and cheese and their dreams of immortality. There is big money in advertising, and artists are only human.

The London Transport Executive has one big advantage over other commercial advertisers—they do not expect, nor require, immediate returns. Their main concern is to make "Mister Public" travel-conscious. They know, of course, that he cannot help but take a bus or tube train to work in the morning and the next liner sailing west, but I must ask you this question first:

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There is the mildly amusing picture by John Hassal which was one of the first attempts to popularise the Underground—then a fearsome mode of travel, involving dark tunnels and clouds of black smoke. In this picture a man and woman (obviously up from the country and just as obviously lost) are asking advice from a "policeman." He smiles patronisingly and points to a map of the Underground.

Another, advocates the Underground as "the workers' way." This painting by Spencer Pryce is worthy of a place in any gallery. But it wouldn't do for an advertisement. In these enlightened times, it shows a procession of shawled women and haggard men leaving a factory and heading towards an Underground station. To the modern observer, it rather suggests these pictures of forlorn women waiting at the platform for news of their manfolk after a pit disaster. It is, nevertheless, a beautiful picture.

LONDON TYPES

A third is one of a series of London Characters painted in oils by E. A. Cox. It shows that best-known—but nowadays rather maligned—London character, the costermonger or, as the caption says, "the non-profitier."

There are glorious views of Chingford, Uxbridge, Kew Gardens, Richmond Park, Windsor Castle, Wimbledon Common, and St Albans—all on London Transport routes.

There is the painting of Epping Forest, which is the only example of the translation of a Jacob Epstein water-colour into a poster; the "tube shelterers" of World War I, who found safety from the Zeppelins in the Underground stations, by Walter Bayes; "The Land of Nod," which is a series of "pin-ups" which were specially painted by Charles Sims, R.A., to remind troops in Flanders of home; and the paintings by Dame Laura Knight, R.A., which are probably the most valuable in the exhibition.

Pictures through the gay twenties, and the uneasy thirties—and pictures through the Second Great War. Among these is one of a series done by Eric Kennington, entitled "Seeing it through," which showed the men and women who kept London's public transport system working through dark days and long nights.

MRS PORTER

The one that has been chosen for this exhibition depicts a woman porter on the tube, and was accompanied by the following verse, written by A. P. Herbert:

Thank you, Mrs Porter,
For a good job stoutly done;
Your voice is clear, and the
Hun can hear "South-Kensington!"

The world must hurry home-ward,
The soldier on his way,
And the wheels whizz round
On the Underground.

At the voice of the girls in grey,
How calm the voices are—
"Upminster train! That man again!"
Pass farther down the car!"

And so to 1949. The latest poster shows a street market scene by A.R. Thomson, R.A., which, apart from its pictorial beauty, is specially interesting, as an example of the very latest colour printing technique.

These original pictures—valued at over £10,000—have been taken out of the London Transport Executive's archives. After the exhibition they will be distributed throughout offices and canteens, moving every six months.

Postwar London is slowly regaining some of its lost splendour. The bright lights are back and, now that Spring is in the air, local authorities are getting on with the job of beautifying the public parks. But Londoners (and Sir Stafford Cripps) are still living in austere times. By continuing to produce posters which rank with the best in the world, London Transport can speed up the process of "getting back to normal".

—(London Express Service).

Awful child wants to know

Forward glance

The year is 1970. The scene is outside the village post office.

The social state of the country is—that free medical service and the advance of medical science have produced the middle-aged community—predicted by H. G. Wells.

In fact, it is more than a middle-aged community. It is a sensible community.

The expectation of life has advanced twenty years. Young

“Did you see that Mr Bloodsucker, the income tax collector, is 100 years old?”

“No.” “It says in the paper that the income tax department of the Inland Revenue was 100 years old last week.”

“That doesn't mean that Mr Bloodsucker is 100 years old.”

“But he might be.”

“Yes he might.”

“Perhaps that's why he's

“He is two and a quarter years old, his name is Bert, his hair's mousy and he was born wearing glasses.”

“What about the littlest Bloodsucker?”

Bert and Berly Bloodsucker?”

“Of course.”

“Have they any children?”

“Bert.”

“Glasses and mousy hair?”

“Yes.”

“What was Bloodsucker like?”

“Glasses and mousy hair.”

“Did they both like glasses and mousy hair?”

“Adored them.”

“What's Bloodsucker's other name?”

“Bert.”

“Bert Bloodsucker?”

“Obviously.”

“What's his son's name?”

“Bert.”

“Glasses and mousy hair?”

“Yes.”

“Glasses and white-mousy hair?”

“Have they any children?”

“Boy and girl.”

“How old?”

“Fifty-five and a half and fifty-two and three-quarters.”

“The postmistress is shuttling up the post office.”

“There's no tax money to pay his wages.”

“And when he's not working he sweeps the roads.”

““And what's the young chap a-sweepin' of the road?”

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Paris Peace Congress To Discuss Atlantic Pact

Paris, Apr. 19.—The World Congress for Peace, opening here tomorrow, will discuss the Atlantic Pact, Marshall aid and President Truman's foreign policy, a Congress spokesman announced tonight.

Religious leaders, scientists and artists are among the delegates from 59 countries attending the Congress, one of the largest meetings of its kind ever held.

Soviet Drive For More Livestock

Three-Year Plan

Moscow, Apr. 19.—The Russian Government and the Communist Party today issued a joint decree setting out the first steps in its new three-year plan for a vast increase in livestock and the production of food and raw materials.

Higher wages—with the award of the title of "Hero of Socialist Labour" in the most outstanding case—will be payable under the decree for increased cattle production.

All persons engaged in cattle breeding may retire at 50 on a 50-percent pension, but if they continue working they will receive full wages in addition. The decree gives its aim as "to stop lagging behind" in the cattle-breeding industry.

The new three-year plan also sets a 1951 target of a 50-percent increase of meat, fats, milk, butter, eggs, leather, wool and other products on collective farms.—Reuter.

A United Press message states that all newspapers today devoted three out of a total of four pages to the decree.

By 1951 collective and state farms are expected to possess roughly 40,000,000 large horned cattle in addition to cattle owned individually. Individual ownership at present accounts for 30,000,000 head.

The decree said Russian livestock was inadequate even before the war, while during the war the Germans slaughtered and took to Germany 70,000,000 head of horned cattle, horses, pigs and sheep.

Fateful Battle

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Contact had been lost with the Nationalist bridgehead at Shihorwei, last-reported-to-be surrounded by advancing Communists. Other Communist forces were within three miles of Luwei and were within two-thirds of a mile of Kwachow. Big fires were seen burning between Luwei and Kwachow. A heavy Communist attack had begun at about 5 p.m. on Monday.

Yangchung, on an island in the Yangtze River north-east of Chinkiang, was also under attack. No fighting was reported from Wuhan 60 miles south-west of Nanking.

Tanks rumbled through Nanking streets heading eastward shortly after midnight.

The air was strictly enforced.—Reuter—AP.

SIDE GLANCES

Paul Robeson, the singer, is one of the American representatives.

The Congress is meeting under the chairmanship of Professor Joffre-Courte, a leading French atom scientist. The discussions will be simultaneously translated over microphones into English, French, Russian and Spanish, as in the United Nations General Assembly.

The United States and Britain are not affected by a French Foreign Office decision to limit to eight the number of delegations from each country whose nationals require visas to enter France. The restriction has affected the Soviet Union, which planned to send 50 delegates, and the countries of Eastern Europe.

The British delegates selected include Dr Hewitt Johnson, the "Red" Dean of Canterbury, Lord Boyd Orr, Chancellor of Glasgow University, Professors J. B. S. Haldane and P. M. S. Blackett, Mr Konni Zilliacus, Mr John Platts-Mills and Mr D. N. Pratt, Members of Parliament.

A representative of Alexei, the Patriarch of Moscow and All-Russia, will be in the Soviet delegation, and the Patriarch himself may attend. The Czech delegation will include Emil Zatopek, star of the 1948 Olympic Games in London.

The German news agency, DPD, reported in Berlin that the German delegation would include Arbold Zweig, the writer, Otto Nuschke, Chairman of the Executive of the Christian Democratic Union and President of the People's Council in the Soviet Zone, a representative each of the Catholic and Protestant Churches, and a secretary of the trade unions in the Soviet Zone.

The conference, which will meet in the Salle Pleyel, a large Paris concert hall, was decided on February 1 by joint committees of two pro-Soviet organizations—the International Committee of Intellectual Artisans of Peace and the World Democratic Federation of Women.

The proceedings will end with a monster rally next Sunday afternoon at the Buffalo Stadium, south of Paris. "Peace caravans," organized by Communist youth associations throughout France, will arrive at the stadium during the rally.—Reuter.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Government's interest primarily was the interest of the public and protection of the public. It was his submission that Government had never agreed to this matter and had never been in a position to agree that the application which had been made was never for increase in rates and charges but an increase in rate and charges plus unlawful rates.

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Mr Lonsdale interrupted to say that the Arbitrators had understood him wrongly. He had said he wanted to make an application to the Court because of the insufficiency of information to the unlawful charges in view of the short period of time since Government became aware of it.

Investigation would have to be carried out in due course, and he could see no reason why it could not be carried out now in order to consider whether any application should be made to the Court to revoke the submission to arbitration.

Mr Lonsdale added that if it was a case of minor irregularities Government would not make a point of upsetting the arbitration. It was his intention at this stage to make application to the Arbitrators to exercise their powers under section 40 to enquire into the accounts of the Telephone Company as that they might know to what extent the charges made had been lawful or unlawful.

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'Crip,' a three-year-old brown Swiss cow, stands patiently as owner Howard Martin of Union, Ia., makes an adjustment to her wooden leg she's worn for two years. The leg was amputated at the hock after an infection resulted from a fall. Because he wanted to save the calf she was carrying at the time and because she represented one of the best blood lines in his herd, Martin fashioned the artificial leg. Although not quite as active as other cows in the herd, Martin says "Crip's" habits haven't changed much because of the handicap.—AP Picture.

Hongkong Telephone Co. v Govt: Arbitration Court Hearing

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Mr Lonsdale then referred to a letter dated April 14, 1949, from Government to the Telephone Company. He said that throughout the time that these negotiations took place and which resulted in the arbitration agreement, Government were under the assumption which they believed to be well-founded that they were being asked to increase the lawful rates and charges under the Ordinance and the Defence Regulation, and that in fact the figures supplied in support of their application referred to lawful rates and charges and that they were able by co-ordinating the application and the figures to claim a just judicial decision.

Government, he said, had more than one interest in this matter. There was the question of royalties on which they were paid on profits of over 12 percent which were available for distribution. Any increase in rates and charges would automatically result in increase of rates and charges plus unlawful rates.

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COW WITH A WOODEN LEG

Indian Plan For Colonies Arouses UN Interest

Lake Success, Apr. 10.—Half the members of the United Nations have now expressed their views on the future of the Italian colonies, but the result of the General Assembly's action still remains in doubt.

Meanwhile, considerable interest has been aroused in United Nations circles by an Indian proposal. While supporting the general Soviet and Arab line that all former colonies should be placed under United Nations trusteeship, India would like the Big Powers to be left out of any administration.

It is too early for observers to determine how much support this proposal may receive. The Arab delegation, in particular, have not expressed their view. But it is considered in some circles to have the virtue of not muddling the administration of the colonies, stamping ground for Big Power disagreements.

Some observers also see in it the advantage that it would not give the Soviet Union a foothold in the administration of the North African territories.

From the 20 declarations made so far the following pattern has emerged:

Seventeen nations have expressed themselves in favour of giving Britain trusteeship over Cyrenaica and of returning Somaliland to Italian administration under a trusteeship agreement.

Twelve countries are on record for a return of Tripolitania to Italian administration, and 10 have recognized France's claim to administer the Fezzan.

The largest measure of unanimity so far has been for the Ethiopian claims to part of Eritrea, giving an access to the sea.

Twenty-one of the 20 nations have favoured giving Ethiopia at least part of Eritrea, either by annexation or under trusteeship.

DEADLOCK FEARS

Although this preliminary survey of opinion shows a certain amount of agreement on certain parts of the problem, diplomatic observers here still fear that a deadlock may be reached in attempting to find an overall solution.

The General Assembly's Political Committee, apart from divergences over details of administration, now appears to be splitting into two widely separated camps.

1.—Those who want a general United Nations trusteeship over all the colonies.

2.—The supporters of individual trusteeship administrations.

The chief supporters of the first proposal are India, the Soviet Union and the Arab States. Their total strength in the final voting is expected to reach about 18. While this figure would not be sufficient to put through any one proposal, it is considered likely here that it may be large enough to block a clear two-thirds majority for any other proposal.—Reuter.

Canton

Insurance

Co's Good Year

At the Annual Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd., held at Messrs Jardine's Office this morning, the Chairman, the Hon D. F. Lonsdale, explained the changed method of presenting the Accounts as from January 1, 1948, and said that, had the accounts been drawn up in the old manner, the balance of the 1947 Working account would have disclosed a record figure.

There was mention of a period of two years before that took place; notices must be given in writing and the matter might go before an arbitrator if there was any disagreement. If the arbitrator came to a conclusion on the facts, he was allowed to do certain things to the charges, but again the arbitrator was controlled as to what he could do.

Taking the whole of the provisions of the Ordinance into account, and without referring to the historical basis of the Company, it was clear that the Ordinance was drafted and passed with the very fixed intention of rigid control on the matter of rates which the Company could charge the public.

Some pointed statements had been made on behalf of Government, he added, and if Counsel for the Company wanted to reply to them, they would hear what they had to say.

Mr Potter replied that all he wished to say was that the Company was prepared, and had always been prepared, to give every possible assistance and information to Government. In fact, he added, the account

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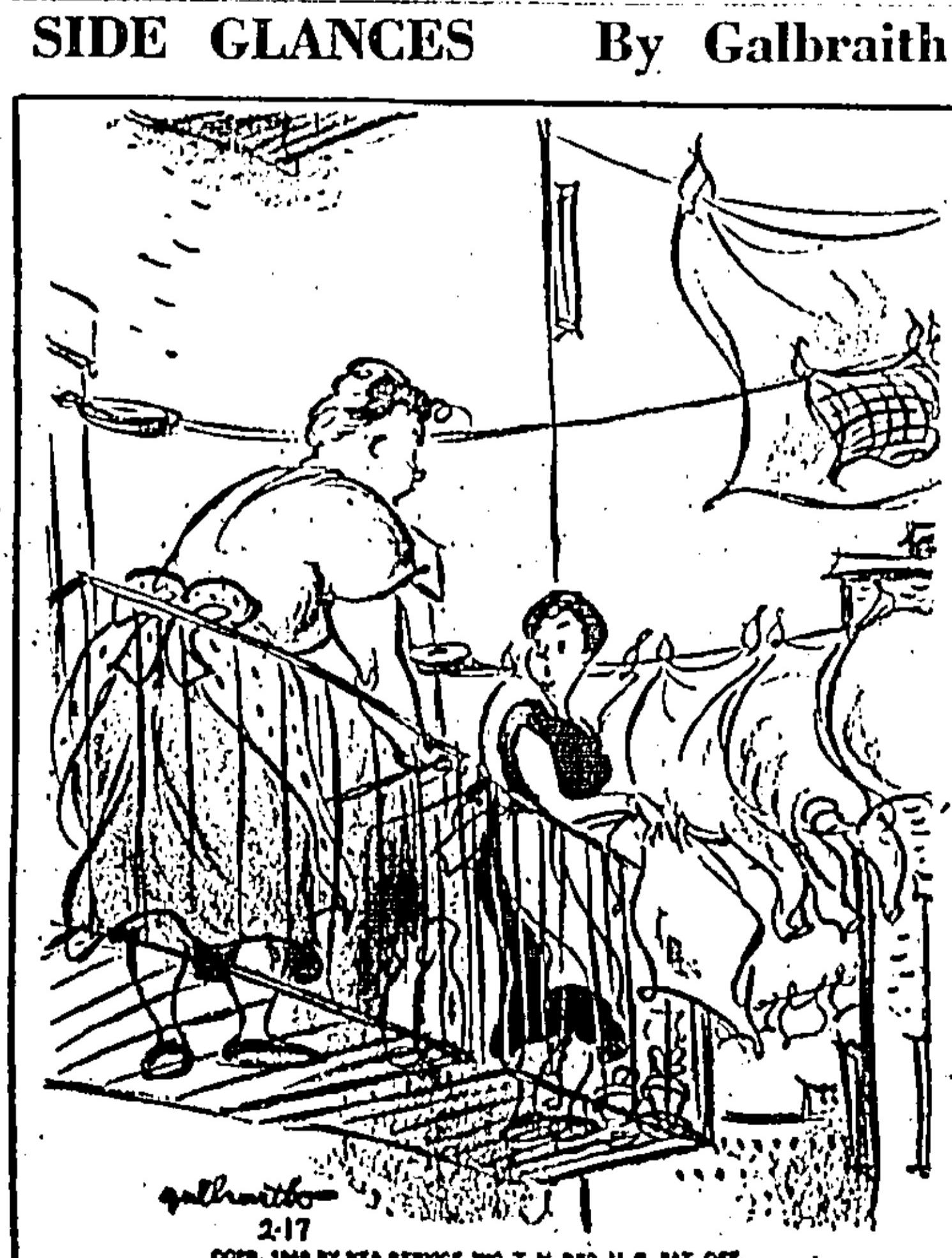
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Radio Hongkong HK Delegation To BIF Leaves

The Hongkong delegation to the British Industries Fair, numbering 33, took off from Kai Tak this morning by BOAC Solent flying boat on the first lap of their journey to London.

They were seen off by Mr J. W. Ferris, secretary of the Hongkong BIF Committee, Mr Paul K. C. Tsui, of the Department of Commerce and Industry, and others. Mr Ferris read a message of good wishes from HE the Governor.

11:15 Weather Report and Close Down.



"You've got more shirts to wash than you used to have, Mrs. Jones—I guess prosperity means more work for all of us!"

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LESSONS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL

The Scots Showed Up England's Weak Points

By VERNON MORGAN

England's totally unexpected defeat by Scotland at Wembley is not regarded by leading officials as a disaster, but as something which had to come sooner or later. That it came at Wembley and taught the selectors a salutary lesson is regarded as being much better than if it had come next month in Stockholm when England meets Sweden, the Olympic champions and regarded as one of the finest teams in the world.

Steps can now be taken to plug the holes that the Scots discovered in the English defence and find forwards not so likely to be thrown off their game by a vigorous defence.

England should of course have won the match against Scotland in the first half-hour. It has been an axiom of the present English international to get the first goal quickly and then ram home the advantage. Hitherto, this has been very successful and England has got quick goals and won the match in the first half-hour.

At Wembley, one was able to see what happens when the expected early goal does not materialise, whether it be owing to bad play or bad luck. It was in fact the latter at Wembley, but that is really beside the point. What lessons were learned by the English selectors?

First, that perhaps Frank Swift, the giant goal-keeper who has done such great work for England in the past is not the player he used to be. With growing years, his eye is not so keen, nor his limbs. This comment is qualified by the statement that neither he nor any other goal-keeper could have been expected to save any of the three goals which beat him at Wembley.

POOR DEFENCE

Neither of England's two backs, Howe of Derby County, nor Aston of Manchester United did well. Their tactics appeared to be at fault for they played too far up the field, leaving only Franklin, that heroic centre-half, to hold the whole Scottish attack. But for the magnificent display of Franklin, the Scots would have scored many more goals.

Probably Howe will be dropped for the continental tour and Aston, who was the steadier, retained.

England were finely served at half-back by Wright as usual as Franklin, Wright, the English captain, played his usual strong game and he is sure to play for England and almost certainly to captain the side again.

But there is talk among the "high-ups" of putting the versatile Wright into the attack and he may appear as one of the insiders against Sweden and France.

Little Cockburn, left-half of Manchester United, had a poor match but he will not necessarily be discarded, especially if Wright goes into the attack.

England's attack would hardly have been the same without the wizard winger, Stanley Matthews, but it certainly did not look a little at Wembley as he had passed his best. There comes a time for all great players when the peak has been reached and the selector might feel that this is the case with Matthews.

Should he go, Flinney might be transferred from the left-wing to the right, his normal club position. Flinney too was below form at Wembley, where he did too much "fiddling" about.

ONE CERTAINTY

Matthews' club-mate, Mortensen, is a certainty. This virile player was in superb form at Wembley and without him any English forward line would be incomplete. He is England's most vital number one.

There looks to be a vacancy, however, at centre-forward where Milburn does not quite fill the vacancy. The Tommy Lawton has left. It is extremely unlikely that Lawton will be recalled and if Milburn, who is weak with his head, does not retain his place, a newcomer may be given his chance to lead the attack.

Pearson, the Manchester United inside-left is one who will almost certainly be dropped. If Wright plays up in the forward line, another inside-forward would not be needed, but if Flinney switches to the right wing a new outside-left would have to be found.

Two players who have impressed the selection committee, one learns, are Lestly, the Derby County half-back, who

WHEN ALEX JAMES WENT WRONG

Few people, save the Scots themselves, would have predicted a victory for Scotland over England by three goals to one at Wembley on Saturday, April 9. Among those who went wrong were Alex James.

His reasons for thinking the Scots could not make it, written before the match, are here in his own words:

Saturday's Wembley International looks about as big a draw as ever was for England—that is, if you are going to judge the teams on paper.

Both the F.A. and the Scottish F.A. have shied from anything like a gamble in team selection.

I may be wrong, but I have a feeling that the Scotland selectors blundered in not picking more Anglo's. The Wembley Wizards pulled their historic match out of the bag 21 years ago—but there were eight Anglo's in the side.

Don't write Scotland off as a dead loss. You can't judge international games by ordinary standards.

There is the incentive that can make even an ordinary player rise to great heights. It cuts both ways, of course.

Archie Macaulay agrees with me that the Scotland selectors were wise in taking club backs Young and Cox with another Ranger, Woodburn, at centre half. They know each other's play.

Another Scottish international, however, told me he doubted whether his good friend big George Young has the speed to hold Flinney.

His opinion is that Young, always slow on the turn, can always slow on the turn, can be made to look like a store horse by the quicksilver Flinney.

MARKING MATTHEWS

Cox has the rotten job of watching Maestro Matthews. How does one play Stanley? There is only one thing to do—let him get the ball.

Stanley isn't getting any younger, and he has been out for a time, but it will still be just as fatal to stand and wait for him.

England have a magnificent half-back line. Franklin is cool, solid, and speedy, with splendid powers of recovery. Billy Wright and Henry Cockburn are brilliant, and both good enough to play on either flank.

But that is still no reason for the selectors to switch them both from regular club positions.

I wonder if Stanley Mortensen is slowing down? He isn't as fast as he was, and it was only his amazing zip and not football craft that made him

Home Football

London, Apr. 19.—The results of soccer games played to date:

First Division

Wolverhampton 0 Sheffield U. 1

Second Division

Coventry C. 1. W. Bromwich 0

Third Division (Northern)

Bradford C. 2 Accrington S. 2

Third Division (Southern)

Torquay U. 2 Crystal Pal. 0

Scottish "A"

Third L. 3 Hibernian 2

—Reuter.

Boston Marathon

Boston, Apr. 20.—Karl Gosta Leandersson of Sweden won the Boston marathon yesterday in two hours, 31 minutes, 50.8 seconds.

He finished half a mile ahead of Vic Dyrrell of New York, while Lou White, Boston negro star, placed third.—Associated Press.

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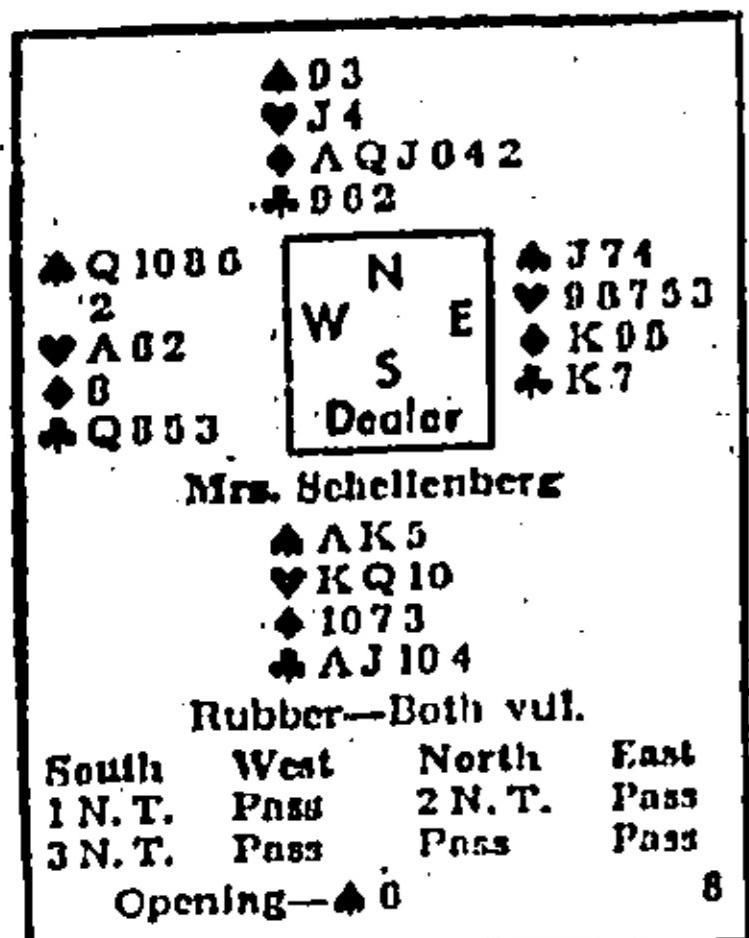
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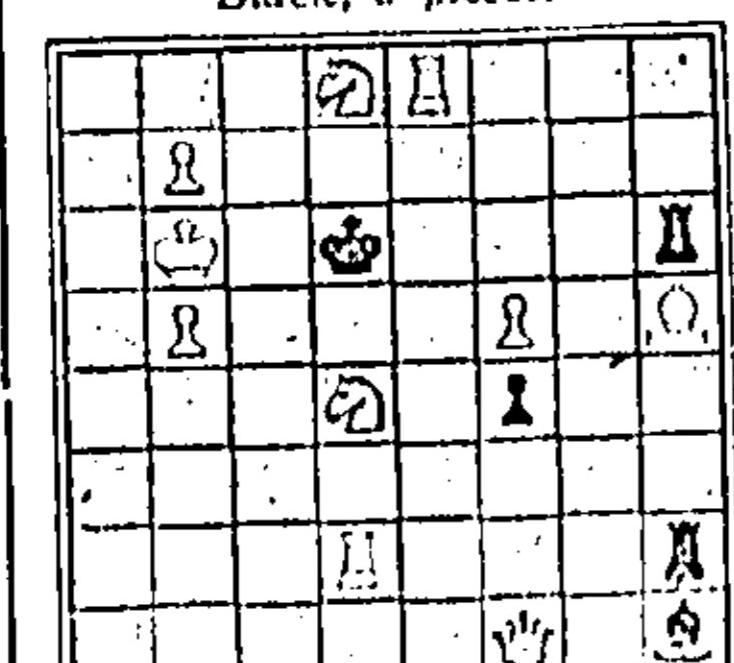


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CHESS PROBLEM

By ARTHUR A. PAUL
Black, 5 pieces.



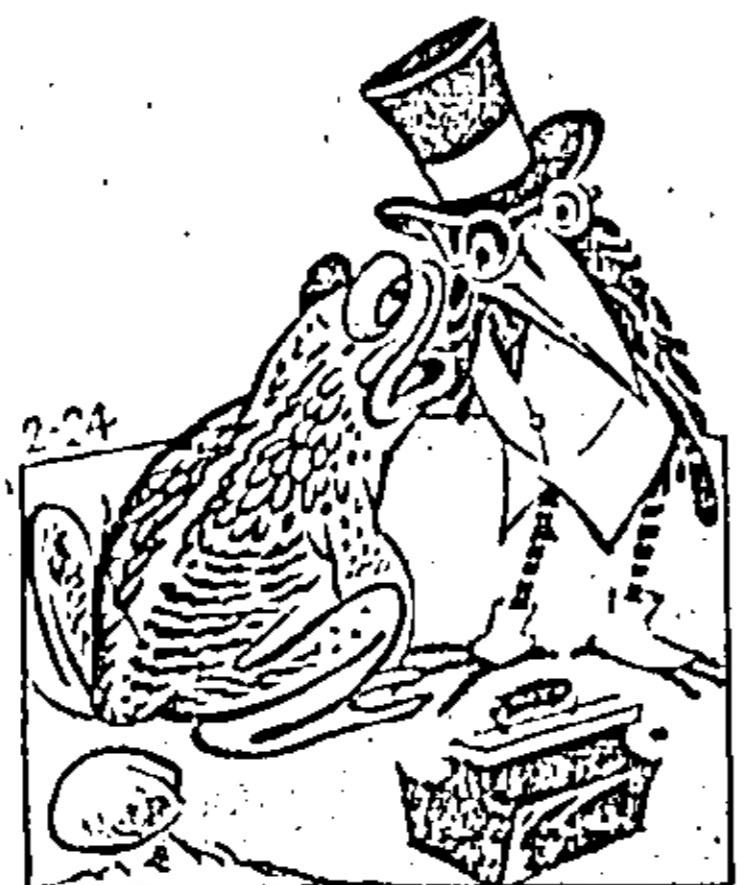
White, 10 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Willy Toad Had a Head Cold

—But the Doctor Had a Hoarse Voice, Too—

By MAX TRELL



(Tomorrow—Recorded Music)

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

It is sometimes surprising how little we know of the background of our associates. Bridge players often play in tournaments from three days to a week, and seldom do I find one who knows anything about the others' business.

For example, Mrs. Ralph J. Schellenberg, with Harry J. Fishbein, has for years operated one of the largest bridge clubs in the United States, the Mayfair Bridge Club of New York.

Her biggest asset is her memory for names. The late Heywood Brown found her memory invaluable when she served as his secretary. While Fishbein is the bridge star of the Mayfair, Mrs. Schellenberg's memory for plays is so good that she often plays a hand with all of the skill of our finest experts. Today's hand is an example.

Mrs. Schellenberg (South) played low in the opening lead of the six of spades but won the second spade lead with the ace. Now the average player might lay down the ten of diamonds and take the finesse. East would win and return a spade. Now declarer would have only five diamond tricks, a club trick and two spades.

Declarer must establish either the clubs or the hearts for the ninth trick. Mrs. Schellenberg remembered that one of her first lessons from the maestro was count your tricks, so instead of playing the diamond, she laid down the king of hearts.

West won and led back another spade which declarer won with the king. Now she took the diamond finesse, and East had no more spades to return—so Mrs. Schellenberg made four.

Check Your Knowledge

1. In what continent is the Gobi Desert?

2. In what century was the Kremlin, Moscow, U.S.S.R. built?

3. What spice is the dried covering of the seed of the "Tulip tree"?

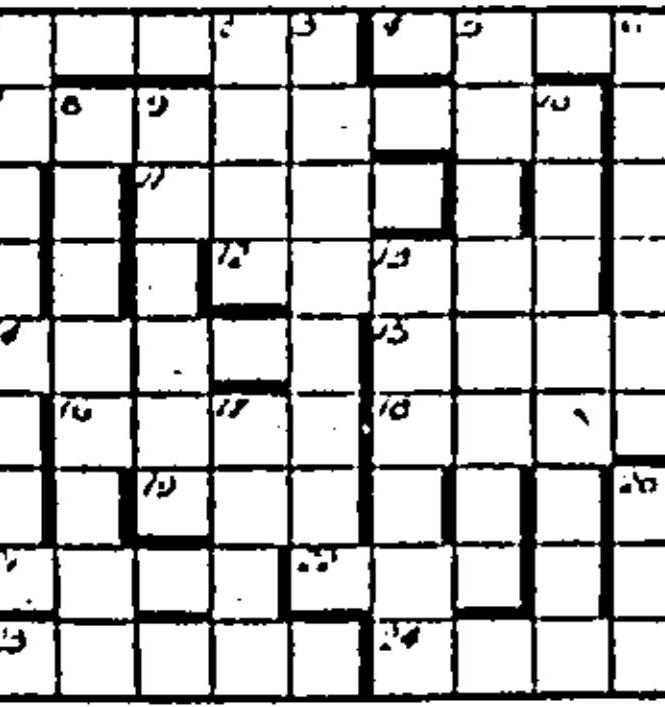
4. Why are dyes used in Holland?

5. How many classes of bankruptcy are there?

6. Name the capital of Australia.

(Answers at foot of Column.)

CROSSWORD



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1. 3 and 3. Bareback king (tang.
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4. and 6. Down on the farm any bag may link this way. (3-3)
7. Dry and cold. (18)
11. A long, narrow, low boat. (14)
12. A European who has enriched himself in the East. (18)
14. A muscular spasm. (9)
15. Signatures on many letters to the same person. (14)
16. Taken with a cantilever. (14)
18. Pealed. (4) 19. Spirit. (13)
21. Used to worthless adoration. (4)
22. Tar this for your mark! (3)
23. A deer has made a request. (8)
24. Old time. (4)

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NEW MOVE IN GAMBOA CASE

New York, Apr. 19.—Philippine Congressman Jose Topacio Nueno said today he was cabling Manila tonight urging the closure of the Philippine Consulates in Australia in retaliation for the barring of Sergeant Lorenzo Gamboa.

Senator Nueno is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Philippines Congress and at present is serving with the delegation to the United Nations General Assembly. He told the United Press that Australia's racial policies and apparent United States determination to rehabilitate Japanese industry are among the biggest Pacific issues currently worrying Philippines.

U.S. Troops Withdraw In Mock War

"Saboteurs" Gain Successes

Heidelberg, Apr. 19.—Seventy thousand United States troops with 1,200 tanks and armoured vehicles fell back today in the face of an imaginary 100,000 strong "aggressor force" attacking the American zone of Germany from the east.

In the first phase of the American Occupation Army's full-dress spring manoeuvres, two Germans, working as mock enemy agents, "blew up" an important railway connection at the Mannheim Ordnance Depot within 75 yards of posted sentries, an Army spokesman disclosed.

The two Germans dressed as workmen by American Intelligence teams—who plan "many surprises" for the defending troops—succeeded in placing and exploding dummy bomb charges at the Depot.

TO COUNTER-ATTACK

Watched by foreign military observers, the American "defenders" will continue their strategic withdrawal until tomorrow night, when they will fan out for a counter-attack.

Planes of the imaginary aggressor force maintained air superiority today and the 100 defensive aircraft were limited to interception and photo reconnaissance missions.

A huge, detailed map in the "war room" headquarters of the United States Army in Europe pin-points the headquarters of the "First Aggressor Army" at Prague.

American officers insisted that there is no political significance to the reference. They point out that in last year's manoeuvres the Army placed the headquarters of the theoretical aggressor near Metz, France.

It is understood that he suffered a stroke last week which paralysed his left side.

The former Marshal's trial on charges of collaboration with the Germans began before a special civil tribunal in October, but after more than five months the court declared itself incompetent and ordered a trial by a military tribunal.—Reuter.

FIRE ON TENDER

Cork, Eire, Apr. 19.—A fire broke out in the Cork Harbour tender Blarney today while the vessel was bringing 200 passengers ashore from the American liner Washington.

No one was hurt but 200 mailbags were affected.—Reuter.

Graziani's Grave Illness

Rome, Apr. 19.—Former Marshal Rudolfo Graziani, ill in prison here for some weeks, is to be transferred to a military hospital because of the gravity of his condition, the military authorities said today.

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The UN In Session

Arms For Atlantic Allies

Acheson To Make A Report

Washington, Apr. 19.—Mr Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, will give the Senate Foreign Relations Committee a report on Thursday on the American plans to arm her North Atlantic Allies.

The Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Tom Connally, said today that the Committee will meet in a secret session to hear Mr Acheson and will decide on a date for hearings on the Atlantic Treaty.

He said that, while the Senators will hear about the arms project in private, there is no intention of making details public at the present time.

Senator Connally added that when the Senate reaches the point of ratifying the Treaty then it can decide about the arms programme. He indicated that the arms project may not be made public until the Treaty is ratified.

Senator Connally said the Security Alliance "would be a good enterprise" even if there was no arms programme for the member nations. There has been some talk that the Treaty will not be brought before the Senate for ratification until most of President Truman's domestic legislation is out of the way. Senator Connally said, however, that he does not want to delay the Treaty too long. "We will try to edge in the Treaty somewhere," he declared.—Reuter.

Conference Will Seek To Remove Europe's Barriers

London, Apr. 19.—Plans to break down currency, trade and travel barriers between the countries of Europe will be discussed by nearly 300 delegates at a European Movement Economic Conference, opening here tomorrow.

The highlight of tomorrow's plenary session will be a speech by Britain's wartime leader, Mr Winston Churchill, one of the Movement's four Presidents of Honour. Other speakers will be M. Leon Jouhaux, Chairman of the Force Ouvrière of the Confédération Générale du Travail de France, and President of the International Council of the European Movement; and M. Paul Van Zeeland, former Belgian Prime Minister and President of the Economic League for European Co-operation.

Significant of the recognised influence of the European Movement is the fact that Mr A. V. Alexander, the Minister of Defence, will welcome the delegates on behalf of the Government.

Observers in London recall that the Labour Government decided on what was tantamount to a boycott of The Hague Congress in 1948, when the Movement was created out of disjointed organisations campaigning for European unity.

The ultimate economic objectives of the European Movement will be fully thrashed out at this week's conference, which will last until April 23. These include:

TRAVEL RIGHTS

1.—That the currencies of European nations shall be freely inter-changeable.

2.—That Europeans shall have the right to travel freely in Europe.

3.—That Europeans shall have the right to sell their services freely anywhere in Europe.

4.—That goods produced by Europe shall be freely available to all European people.

Delegates representing 21 countries were arriving today at the International Economic and Social Section of the Movement. The movement was already in private session preparing the groundwork for the talks.

Mr Nueno continued: "One of the few good provisions of the act was the pegging of the peso to the dollar. This provision should be retained, at least temporarily. Beyond this there must be other revisions of United States-Philippines relations."

"America should make a positive decision to defend the Philippines and to this end should increase its air and naval strength there. We do not need artillery or infantry. With our manpower supporting the United States air and naval strength, the Philippines can be held against any aggression."

MUST CHANGE COURSE

"Present indications are that the United States does not understand this situation and is not planning major defence of the islands in the event of war. If that is the case, the Philippines must change its course and do all it can to remove the present inadequate American bases in the Philippines and proclaim its neutrality—and try to become a Switzerland of the Pacific."

Mr Nueno expressed "respectful opposition" to President Elpidio Quirino's reported willingness to include Japan in a Pacific pact. He added: "Mr Quirino and American officials are wrong if they believe Japan has been democratised so quickly after defeat. I am convinced it will take many years—at least one generation, perhaps longer—before the Japanese people can be trusted to centre their lives on democratic principles rather than on the divinity of an emperor."

"Many Filipinos feel we need a certain amount of trade with Japan, but would rather do without it than run the risk of letting Japan become an economic or military power. The Japanese are such hard working people that they will be running Asia again economically, if we do not watch out."

"America cannot seem to realise that the restoration of Japanese industry threatens the re-establishment of a warlike nation. Japan cannot simply be wiped off the map—it must be allowed to live, but not as a power for a long time yet!"—United Press.

Meteor Jet Plane Crashes

Ludgershall, Wiltshire, Apr. 19.—A United States Air Force pilot was believed to have been badly injured after his Meteor jet plane crashed near here tonight. The pilot, whose name was given as Lieutenant Colonel Richard Orr, was taken to Tidworth Military Hospital. Lieutenant Colonel Orr is attached to the Fighter Command.—Reuter.

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AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 14th April, 1949 to 23rd April, 1949, both days inclusive.

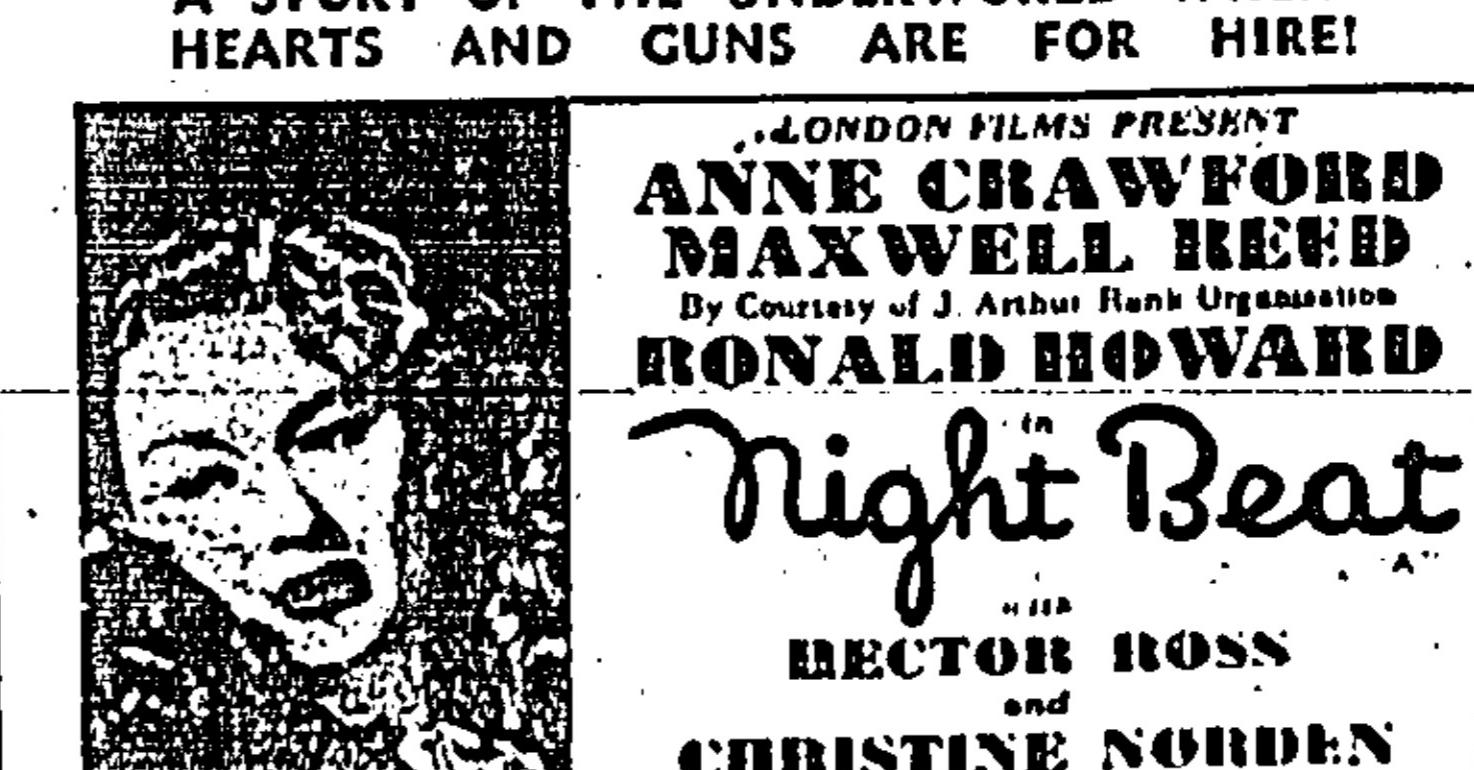
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Death Of Rabbi Wise

A PROMINENT ZIONIST

New York, Apr. 19.—Rabbi Stephen Wise, 75-year-old Jewish leader, died here today.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, on March 17, 1874, Dr. Wise was brought to the United States when a year old by his parents. His father was Dr. Aaron Wise, who became minister of the temple of Odeph Shalom in New York City.

Dr. Wise was educated in New York public schools and at Columbia University. He began his career at the age of 10 when he was appointed one of the assistants to Dr. Henry Jacobs, rabbi of Madison Avenue Synagogue. Within the he became head of the synagogue.

He was only 23 when he declined the post of rabbi of the Temple El Emmanuel, whose congregation was one of New York's richest.

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Instead, he decided to have a synagogue of his own and in 1907 established the "Free Synagogue" with the backing of Mr. Henry Morgenthau and other prominent New Yorkers. He had been rabbi of this organization ever since then. It was organized as a democratic group with the rabbi given complete freedom in his religious and social work.

Dr. Wise figured prominently in the Zionist movement after World War I. He was one of the founders of the Foundation of American Zionists and throughout his career was ardent spokesman for Zionism in the United States. Among the first Americans to recognize the menace of Hitlerism to world peace, he frequently called for a boycott of German goods during the early stages of Nazism.

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Princess To Visit Italy

London, Apr. 19.—Princess Margaret is going to Italy for a private tour next month, it was learned here tonight. This will be the second trip to the Continent for the Princess, who is 19 next August. It is also the first visit by a member of the Royal Family to an ex-enemy territory since the war. The actual date of her departure has not yet been decided, but it is understood that Princess Margaret will leave early in May, and will spend four weeks in Italy, visiting main centres of historic and artistic interest.—Reuter.

ULTIMATUM TO WBVs

Rangoon, Apr. 19.—Burma Government forces, with Maymyo, 35 miles west of Mandalay back in their hands, today issued a 48-hour ultimatum to the White Band Communists inside Mandalay to come outside the city and face them in battle.

The Army challenge said that if the Communists did not come out, and thus avoid battle losses in civilian life and property, the Government troops would assault the city and annihilate them.

The Government appealed to the Buddhist clergy and citizens inside Mandalay to urge the White Band Volunteers to quit the city, around which isolated attacks between the two forces were reported tonight.

The Government's communiqué tonight said its aircraft had bombed three rebel concentrations in Moulmein district villages on the east coast, scoring direct hits. It added that the Communists, with Karen support, were massing for an attack on the Moulinayang rice centre, 70 miles southwest of Rangoon.—Reuter.

The British Sloop, Amethyst

YANGTSE RIVER DRAMA: HEAVY CASUALTIES

The British naval sloop, Amethyst, attached to the 1st Escort Flotilla, Far East Station, and commanded by Lt-Cdr. B. A. I. Skinner, was shelled by Communist guns from the banks of the Yangtse, about 80 miles from Nanking at 9 o'clock this morning. The ship is aground and it is feared there have been heavy casualties.

The Amethyst, a 1,375-ton sloop, launched in 1943, was, according to a Reuter message from Shanghai, on what is described as a humane and peaceful mission to Nanking, where she was to relieve HMS Consort in providing protection for British nationals in the threatened Nationalist capital.

In Nanking, adds Reuter, the British Embassy announced at 9.30 a.m., that it had received a signal from the Amethyst to the effect that she was under heavy fire, was aground and had suffered heavy casualties.

The sloop gave her position officially determined from which side of the river the shells were fired, but they are presumed to have come from the Communist-held side as the ship's voyage was being made with the consent of the Nanjing Government.

Naval authorities in Nanking said that the signal was sent under obvious distress.

According to Naval standing orders the Amethyst is believed to have painted a large Union Jack on both sides of the vessel.

It is understood that the sloop came under heavy artillery fire about 10 miles east of Kuan, opposite the Communist-occupied island of Kuiyung.

The Amethyst left Shanghai yesterday and anchored overnight at Kiangyin, about 82 miles upstream from Woosung.

United Press reports that at the moment it has not been

officially determined from which side of the river the shells were fired, but they are presumed to have come from the Communist-held side as the ship's voyage was being made with the consent of the Nanjing Government.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will hold private conversations with each of the visiting delegates before they start their formal work. Mr. Attlee will start by seeing Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan and—Stephen Senanayake of Ceylon, and possibly Daniel Malan of South Africa and Foreign Minister Lester Pearson of Canada. He planned to see Peter Fraser of New Zealand, Joseph B. Chifley of Australia and Jawaharlal Nehru of India on Thursday.

Authoritative Indian quarters were of the opinion that a solution might be found by which India as a republic could stay in the Commonwealth with a president, replacing the Governor-general which the King sends to all Commonwealth countries.

Under such a formula, the President could act as the King's representative. The King himself would be recognized as the "first citizen" or the Commonwealth.

DELEGATES ARRIVE

Canada's Foreign Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson, was the first to arrive by plane yesterday and Premier Malan of South Africa arrived today. Pakistan's Foreign Minister Sir Zafrullah Khan was due here by nightfall and the Prime Ministers of Australia, New Zealand, India, Ceylon and Pakistan were due tomorrow.

The last to arrive will be India's Premier Nehru of India, described by Commonwealth relations quarters today as the "Hamlet of the conference" pondering whether India is "to be or not to be" a member of the Commonwealth.

Commonwealth relations officials emphasized that the conference would be a top secret. They described the proceedings as "very ticklish," and said it was doubtful whether any information would be made public until the participating statesmen had returned to their countries.

Official sources said the British government wishes to "maintain as close relations with India as she may desire herself." South African sources believed that the circle of Commonwealth can be widened "by the entry of those who enter on the common basis of free association among self-governing communities."

The British press today pondered over the question and offered no solution.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph said, "If India feels her

Better Late Than Never

London, Apr. 19.—A 76-year-old Royal Marine pensioner, William Gregory, has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the Admiralty 40 years after a China war exploit which earned it.

Mr. Gregory was a corporal in a force of 20 Marines which successfully defended the British Legation at Peking in 1900. Badly wounded in a sortie he was mentioned in despatches and promoted.

In the first World War he was in the Royal Marines and in the last war in the Home Guard.

He has two sons in the Navy.

At the Royal Marine Headquarters in London it was stated that the delay in making the award was not due to forgetfulness. An officer said: "There is only a certain quota of Meritorious Service Medals and the quota is normally filled so that an award cannot be made until a vacancy arises from the death of a holder. The award carries with it a small annuity."—Reuter.

Crown Counsel Asks For Inquiry Into Telephone Company Accounts

"If it were a matter of minor irregularities Government would not make a point of upsetting the arbitration. The intention of my application at this stage is for the arbitrators to exercise their powers under section 40 to enquire into the Telephone Company accounts so that we may know to what extent the charges made have been lawful or unlawful," said Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, when he represented the Government at the Telephone Company—Hongkong Government Arbitration hearing which commenced in the board room of the S. C. M. Post this morning.

The arbitrators are Mr. J. McNeil and Mr. P. D. A. Childs. Instructing Crown Counsel is Mr. L. R. Andrews, Crown Solicitor, while the Telephone Company are represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. R. A. Wadeson of Messrs. Deacons.

Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. W. H. Young, is holding a watching brief on behalf of Mr. Fu-tsu, Yen Sun, the Star Hotel Ltd., Chuen Yee Hong, Ku Chek-kin, F. Au Pun, Wong Tai-chi and Hui Kwai-ho, all members of the Preparatory Committee of the Hongkong Chinese Reform Association.

In his opening, Mr. Lonsdale dealt with a point arising from a communication to Government from the Chairman of Directors of the Telephone Company. Counsel said that in 1945 the prewar rates and charges under the telephone ordinance were in force, and as a result of an application made by the Company the charges were increased under the Defence Regulations, not by amendment of the ordinance or by the Governor-in-Council. A 50 percent increase was gazetted by the British Military Administration in February of that year. In 1947 the Company represented again that the rates and charges were not in conformity with the Defence Regulations or the telephone ordinance. It was brought to the attention of the Company's advisers in a roundabout fashion through the solicitors of the Company. It was assumed in the correspondence that the figures of rates supplied in the accounts of the Company were based entirely on charges which the Company could lawfully make to subscribers under the telephone ordinance.

COMPANY'S REPLY
Government asked the solicitors of the Company for confirmation of this assumption and the reply given was neither an admission nor a denial. The last paragraph of the letter to Government, said Counsel, stated that the solicitors felt that the request was tantamount to asking their advice to the company on figures which they had not as yet had an opportunity to consider.

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EDITORIAL

Reds Show Their Hand

held by Chiang Kai-shek, T. V. Soong, H. H. Kung, Chen Li-fu and Chen Ku-fu, are the chief features of the Communists' domestic programme, typical of a party which feels itself strong enough to make a "take it or suffer the consequences" offer. The programme confirms the worst fears of the KMT. While it contains a slight modification in the "war criminals" demand, it is wholeheartedly designed to make the Reds complete masters of the political and military future of China. For example, a coalition government is suggested, but it will be under the strict guidance of the Communist Party. It envisages a seven-member supreme policy-making council, but again its chairman will be chosen by the Communists. The People's National Assembly will adopt a new constitution, the drafting of which will be in the hands of a Communist-controlled New Political Consultative Council. On the provocative subject of the future of the Army, the Reds have definite ideas: Nationalist troops are to await reorganization on the lines of the measures adopted in Peiping, which means nothing less than liquidation of the Nationalist forces. And the Navy and Air Force are to be "handed over to the coalition government," which, translated into more realistic terms, means they are to come under the direct control of the Reds. Agrarian reform, in the vague terms of clauses 21 and 22 can be so classed, to follow the pattern adopted in the Manchurian and North China "liberated" areas, namely, partial confiscation of private property, and, at some unstated date, the introduction of measures for reducing rents and interest, and still later, application of the "three mou for each farmer" principle. These, together with the confiscation of properties now

STOP PRESS

HMS Consort Also Comes Under Fire

HMS Consort, which has gone to the rescue of the Amethyst reports that she has been fired on, but that she has suffered no casualties.

The Naval authorities issued the following statement:

It is now known that HMS Amethyst is aground in the Yangtse in a position approximately 30 miles east of Chinkiang.

HMS Consort is in attendance and HMS Black Swan will arrive early Thursday morning.

At present there are no details of casualties in the Amethyst.

HMS Consort reports being fired on, but there were no casualties.

Today's Weather: Light variable winds, cloudy and misty, continuing warm.
Noon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1013.7 mbs.
29.93 in. Temperature, 76.0 deg. F. Dew point, 75 deg. F.
Relative humidity, 88. Wind direction, South. Wind force, 1 knot.
High water, 6 ft. 0 in. 3:15 p.m. (Thursday). Low water, 1 ft. 0 in. at 11:53 p.m.

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Six Jews Killed In Ambush

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 19.—The Government reported tonight that six Jews were killed and five injured early today when a party of civilians was ambushed while on a trip to the Edom area at the southern tip of the Dead Sea.

Survivors of the party of 12 reported they were ambushed by Bedouins. Three of the injured were reported to be in serious condition.—United Press.

NO REPRIEVE

London, Apr. 19.—The Home Secretary has decided that in the case of Harry Lewis, who was sentenced to death on March 9, there are not sufficient grounds to justify him in recommending any interference with the due course of law. Lewis is due to be executed on Thursday.

The British press today pondered over the question and offered no solution.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph said, "If India feels her

WOMANSENSE

Black Linen Resorter



Jane Derby

By PRUNELLA WOOD

A DISTINGUISHED resort and coming-summer dress is shown here, a smooth, slim silhouette of black linen with small tucks easing the cut above the high corseted waistline and below the joining of sparse flounce to skirt bottom.

The shoulders are neatly and roundly fitted, in harmony with the turned back cuffs and collar. Buttons to the waistline are black bone, and the belt is a leathern black patent leather.

One should let an expert dry cleaner care for this handsome but casual model for its first season, and gain renewed pleasure in it later on when it drops down into just another thin wash dress.

Hearts & Flowers

By ELEANOR ROSS

ENGAGEMENTS indicate a bountiful, the best crop of Easter and post-Easter weddings. Special occasions, such as an engagement party, offer the ingenious a fine opportunity to turn their talents to good account when doing the decorations. No need to splurge, for a beautiful table does not have to be the result of a big expenditure for either food or flowers. It is good taste and originality that count.

For an engagement announcement party what better theme than hearts and flowers, done according to your interpretation of this sweet theme? Some of the smartest and most successful table decorations use old-fashioned bouquets of fragrant narcissus, daffodils, snapdragons and roses in a pretty frame of metallic lace that suggests the nosetay of yesteryear. Figures of dainty little ceramic doves carrying nosegays of mimosa or marigolds in their bills carry out the romantic theme most suitably.

Cupid Silhouettes

A profusion of Cupid silhouettes and entwined hearts will also do their romantic bidding with a sharp knife, as soon as they are removed from the box. Do not use scissors as the blades tend to crush the stem. The diagonal cut will make it possible for a maximum area to absorb the life-giving water. Place flowers immediately in fresh water and make sure that at least half of the stem length of the flowers is under water. Obtainable at the florist shop are tablets that help prolong the life of cut flowers. If directions are properly followed,

you will help the blossoms to offer their beauty to you and the world for twice as long if you but give them a little sensible care. Drafts are enemies to flowers just as they are to humans. A hot electric light bulb or heated radiator will wither your flowers just as it would dry out your skin if you had to stay close to it for any length of time.

Sensible Care

When receiving cut flowers, it is wise to cut stems diagonally with a sharp knife, as soon as they are removed from the box. Do not use scissors as the blades tend to crush the stem. The diagonal cut will make it possible for a maximum area to absorb the life-giving water. Place flowers immediately in fresh water and make sure that at least half of the stem length of the flowers is under water. Obtainable at the florist shop are tablets that help prolong the life of cut flowers. If directions are properly followed,

HE'S SEEKING BETTER FRAMES FOR PICTURES

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY

New York. ROBERT Holland is framing plans for better picture frames on planned picture frames on American walls.

Holland, a good-looking young frame designer and maker, claims that one of the most neglected phases of home decoration is picture frames. Good looking pictures are ruined by too-narrow frames, and dismal prints are left in their gloomy state by unimaginative framing.

Holland has managed to improve the frames of his own clients by a new personal service. He goes to their homes or apartments, by appointment, and sees the pictures in the settings where they'll be hung. Then he recommends proper frames, and even suggests more suitable pictures if the client asks advice.

But for the benefit of the average homeowner who must choose for himself, Holland decided to prepare a booklet of advice. He'd like to distribute it on a national scale, since he firmly believes that ill-framed pictures are a nation-wide malady.

You can plan on spending from \$15 to \$30 to get a frame for a picture measuring about 20 by 24 inches, according to Holland. But his final word of warning is not to think there must be a connection between the price of the picture and the price of the frame.

"A beautiful frame can be put around an inexpensive print and achieve the same decorative effect as if the frame encased a masterpiece," he insisted. "Think of the whole project as a unit, with equal parts picture and frame."

Oil paintings require simple, solid frames for dignity, but for water colours or photographs Holland specializes in unusual techniques.

Narrow Frames Taboo

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

WHENEVER possible, he advises against very narrow frames, even on tiny pictures. Try using scoop frames, deep ones, on your miniatures and you'll be delighted with the beautiful results," he said. In a scoop frame the picture is set deep and the frame extends out from it either in a curved or straight line. If the unit were laid face up on a table, the picture would appear to be at the bottom of a rectangular bowl.

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THE BODY NEEDS ITS PROTEIN

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

WE ARE familiar with the all-important food part called protein. It is necessary for the repair of worn-out tissues but for building new tissues as well. When the body weight and strength are threatened by disease, the quality of the diet is much more important than the quantity or the calorie value. This is especially true in regard to the proteins.

The important proteins come

from such foods as meat, milk,

eggs, beans, and peas.

It is especially important to give the right type of protein foods in sufficient amounts in cases of

injury or burns, following sur-

gery, and during chronic or

prolonged infections.

Not Proper Food

The amount of protein in the diet may be deficient because

the food given is not proper,

or because eating is difficult

owing to age or to such con-

ditions as ulcer of the stomach,

chronic kidney disease, or other

illnesses. Sometimes, enough

food is eaten, but it is not taken

up and used by the body be-

cause of vomiting, diarrhea,

bowel infections, or liver disease.

If, for some reason, the

amount of protein in the diet is

restricted, the water intake

should also be reduced, since

large amounts of fluids will

cause the body to eliminate some

of the proteins. Either too much

or too little salt is harmful in

such cases. There should be

about one gram of salt (1/20 of

an ounce) in the diet which sup-

pplies about 1800 calories a day.

Sufficient protein in the diet

will reduce the burden on the

liver. It would appear that egg

white is an excellent source of

protein, as is whole egg and

whole milk.

There are certain preparations

made up of amino acids which

are the substances of which

proteins are composed. These

should be utilized in special

cases, but in a person who can

get enough protein food, these

substances are, as a rule, un-

necessary.

Use of Protein

Among the conditions which

interfere with the use of protein

by the body are disorders of the

blood, glandular, toxic, goiter,

and gout. In these conditions,

the protein intake should be

carefully controlled and, of

course, the proper treatment for

the various disorders carried out.

Before and after operations,

special attention should be given

to the protein intake in the

diet. As a matter of fact, every

day the healthy person should

eat the right kinds of proteins.

A Hurry-Up Beauty Routine



Courtesy Tussy

Courtesy Tussy

By HELEN FOLLETT

THERE are times when a girl wants to look her best at short notice. A clang on the telephone, a merry voice speaks. "I'm going to a gay party! She's tired as all get out, plans to go to bed early, but she can't turn down that date.

She must decide how the half hour or hour at her disposal must be spent. She can lie still together, or she can rest her weary bones in a warm bath. If she has a grain of energy left she will choose the bath with a cold shower for a finish. Before getting into the tub she will wash and cream her face. Cream and moisten

form a grand combination for banishing pallor. Just before donning the party frock she should remove the cream with a pad of absorbent cotton that has been dipped in skin freshener.

If she has a cap hairdo, little time need be spent on it. Per-

haps her finger nails will need a touch up with polish, but that doesn't take more than a few minutes.

To give herself a new face that will stay fresh through the evening she will do well to use a foundation cosmetic.

Rouge can be a bit brighter than that used during the day and, of course, the lipstick should be an exact colour match.

One more suggestion: she must not get fussed and flustered. To dash around looking for this or that. Men don't like 'em that way. They prefer girls who have poise, who seem never to be hurried or flurried.

She must not forget to put on a little perfume which is the final touch when one has got into one's glad dry goods. A drop behind the ears, a drop in the curves of the arm. But never on the hair, unless the glorious halo has just been shampooed.

Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Tasty Refrigerator Meal

"LOOK at these ends and all together until golden brown and puffed up." "Does the batter stay on?" I asked.

No Mystery

"For the most part, Madame. Where it slides off, the food shows a little bit, and the man can see what he's eating, so there's no mystery to this way of using left-overs. Et voila, the 'Frito Misto'."

This is really tempting way to use left-overs, I admit. Of course, as the foods are deep-fried, they really absorb less fat than when they are sauteed. When the rest of the meat is practically free of fat, we are justified in occasionally preparing left-overs as a Frito Misto."

A-Casserole

"The only thing I can think of is a casserole; and for that I'd like some tomatoes, but we haven't any."

"Well Madame, I have a suggestion: It is the Italian Frito Misto."

"Frito Misto? Let's see: Fritto means fried, and I suppose misto has something to do with mystery. It must be mystery."

"Ha, ha," laughed the Chef. "That is what the husband thinks when his wife gives him left-overs in disguise. But this fritto misto means a mixed fry. Fritto misto means a mixed broil, just like you have a mixed broil. Now I will tell you how I will make it. I shall first grate the cheese and combine it with the cheese and combine it with the cheese into small round croquettes ready to fry."

"Sounds good so far." Rice and cheese croquettes are tasty. Go on," I said.

"Then I shall whip up a bowl of batter fritter."

"You mean fritter batter, don't you?"

"Oui, Madame: the fritter batter, which I shall use for an assortment of fritters from the ends and odds. I let this rest a few minutes until I get ready to fry. I can saute or use the deep fat. I prefer the deep fat.

As it is more quick and takes less fat. So heat enough good lard in the chicken fryer to

make three inches deep. It is

hot enough when I brown a

piece of bread in it in a minute.

Of course, I do not let the lard smoke—because that gives a

burned taste. Now I am ready to process. First I put the rice croquettes into the hot

lard and fry brown, about one minute. Then I turn out on crumpled paper towels, and place in the oven to keep warm.

Off-centre necklines and

diagonal scollops set a slantwise

pattern for many of the Carnegie

suits. Most jackets were slim,

but not tight. Jackets were hip-length with stiffly flared peplums below snugly buttoned waistlines. Many suit necklines

were cut wide from the neck

and filled in with crisp flounces

of white plique or with the tops

of the blouson underneath them.

—United Press.

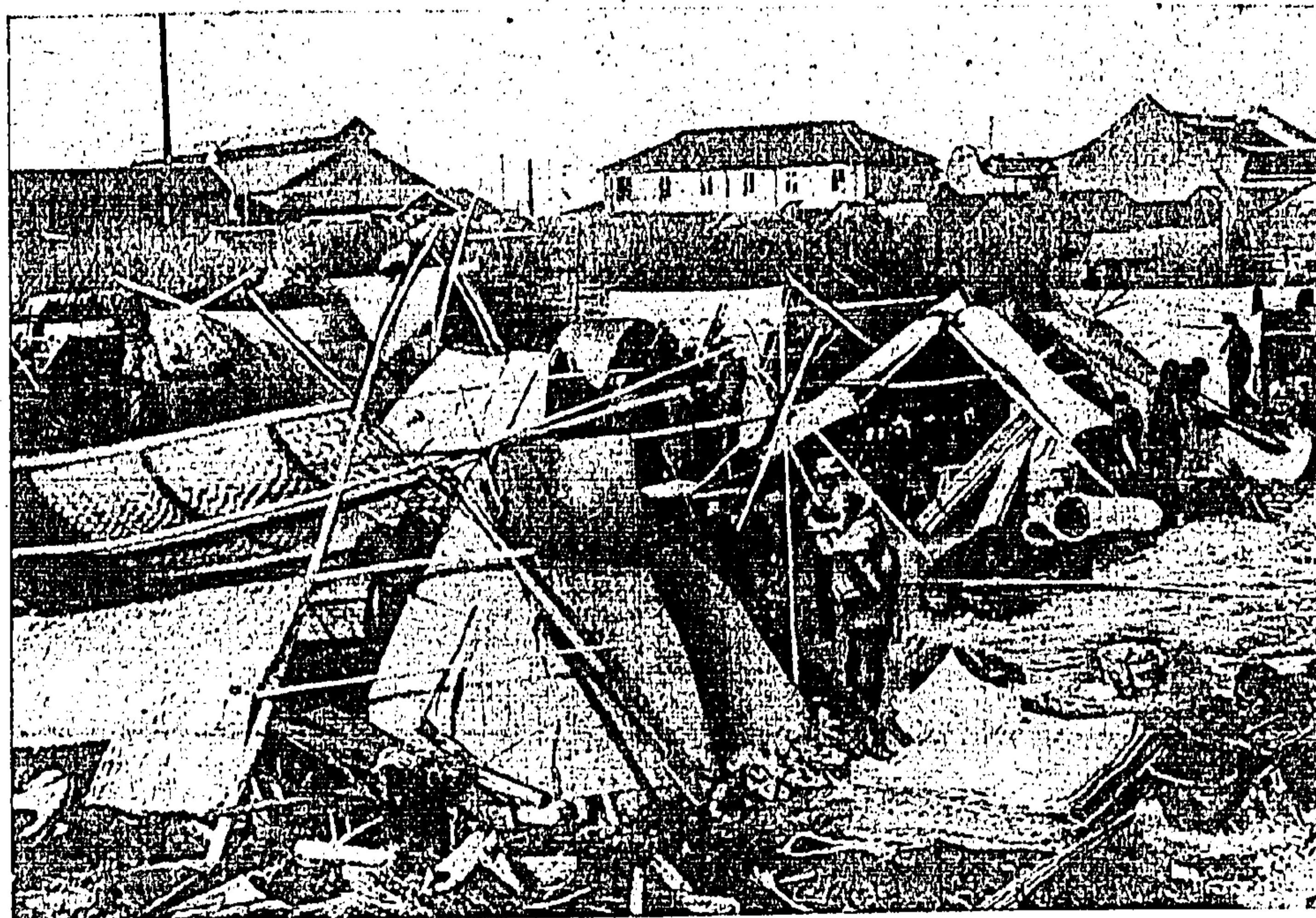
Almost any vegetable or left-over meat or fish may be used in preparing the fritters for Frito Misto. They may be fried in two ways:

In a Snail or Shallow Frying Pan: To do this,

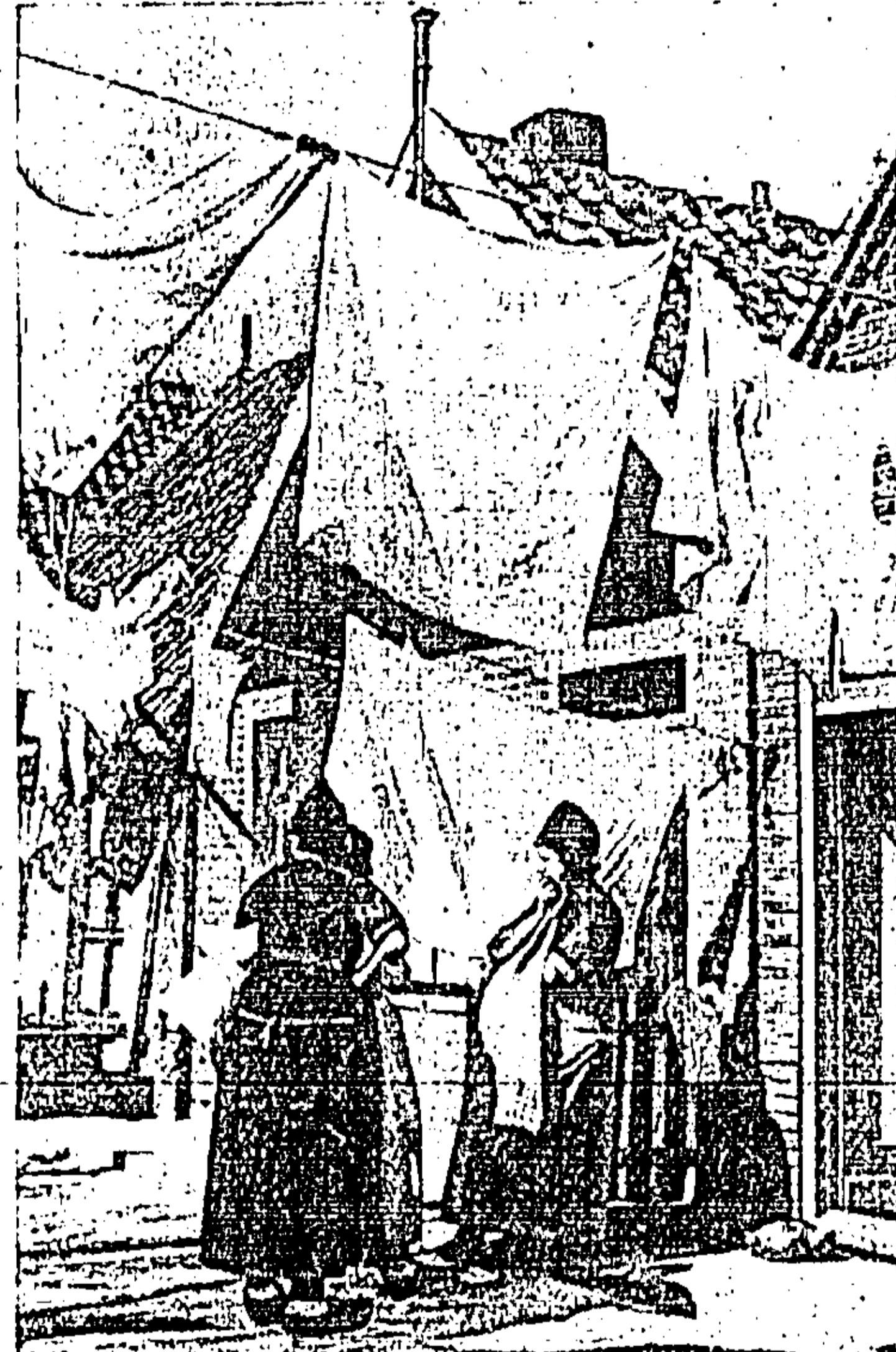
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



SPRING IS HERE—And with it these young fishermen in northern Idaho have bass for dinner. More than half of the state's population bought fishing permits last year.



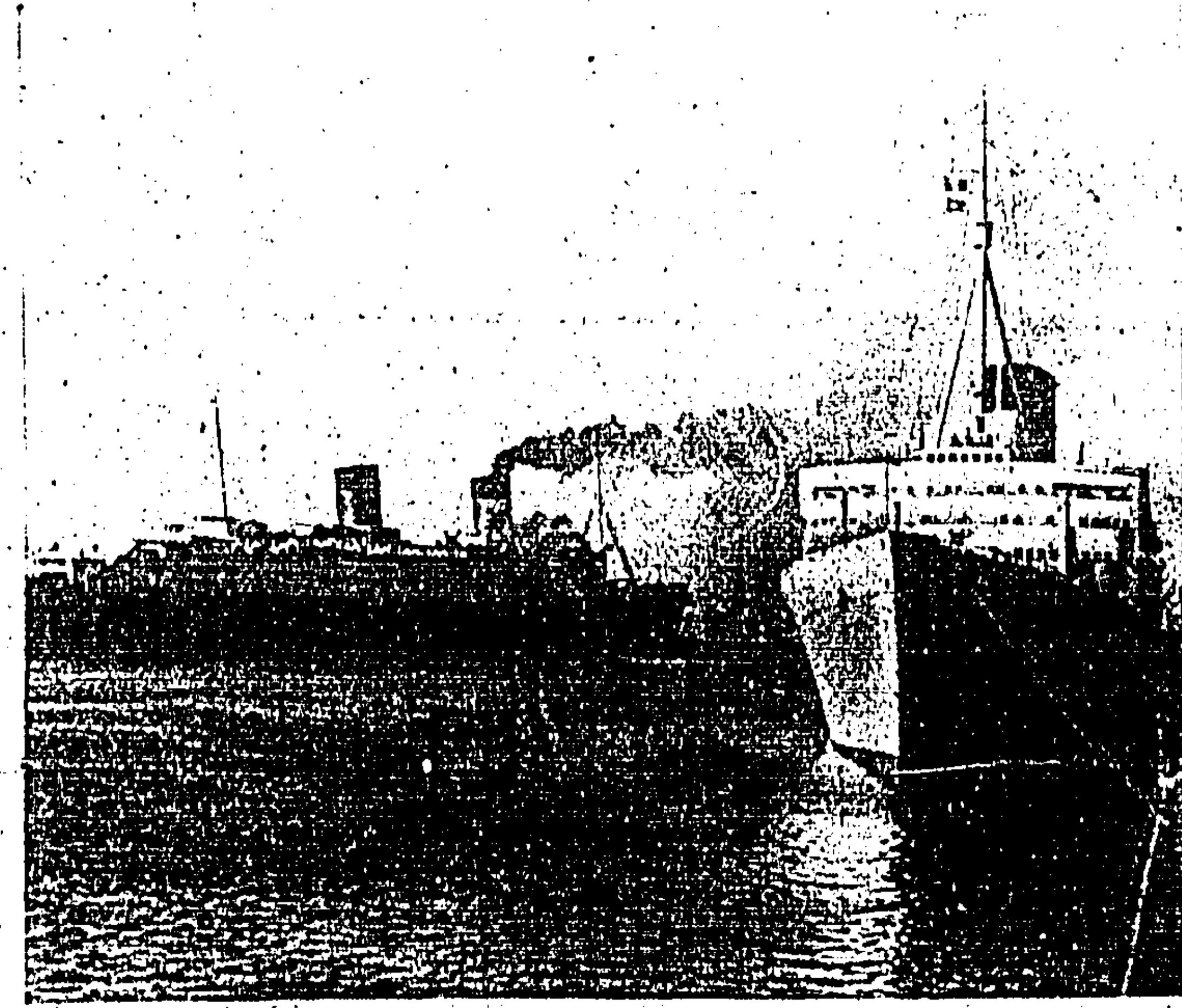
MISERY—In already overcrowded Shanghai, starving Chinese refugees build temporary homes wherever they can find sufficient space. These helpless victims of the frequent fires that rapidly destroy their flimsy bamboo-straw huts, pitch in and warily start rebuilding with the same inflammable materials—which are all they can obtain.



WASH DAY—A laundry would not find much business in Volendam, Holland, where all the washing is done at home. Hanging out the weekly wash is a social occasion, and these housewives have no use for clothes pegs, preferring to twine the clothes around the line.



OLD-TIMER—Thirteen-month-old David Doty absorbs the lore of the old railway days from great-grandfather Gilford S. Woods in Oak Park, Illinois. Woods, now 97, who surveyed routings for the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad during the '70s, is almost as old as the 100-year-old line itself. Still agile, he operates a prosperous rail supply business. The car little David is fondling is a far cry from those used on the line during the old days.



LIZ GREETS A FRESHMAN—The British liner Queen Elizabeth passes Britain's newest liner, Caronia, while steaming out of Southampton. The Caronia, largest ship built since the end of the war, is the newest Cunard White Star liner.



WINDFALL—When Art Teets and Ward Vickers decided to take a two-year world cruise, they invited the public down to the pier in Wilmington, California. About 1,500 people turned up with tins, sacks and boxes of food. They brought enough to stock the schooner California with supplies to last the entire crew of six for 400 days.



FLYING HOME—With all four hoofs in mid-air, Ramadan, left, jockey W. Zakoor up, comes on to win over Rare Jewel at Tropical Park in Miami. The odds-on favourite was beaten by a nose, despite being ridden by Logan Batcheller, the current leading winner at the Florida meetings.



WATER THRILLS—Nancy Stilley is getting an exciting ride in Winter Haven, Florida, on Trammell Pickett's sea-going surf-board. While taking a fast turn, Nancy hangs on and grimly hopes for the best. Win or lose, she'll be soaking wet.

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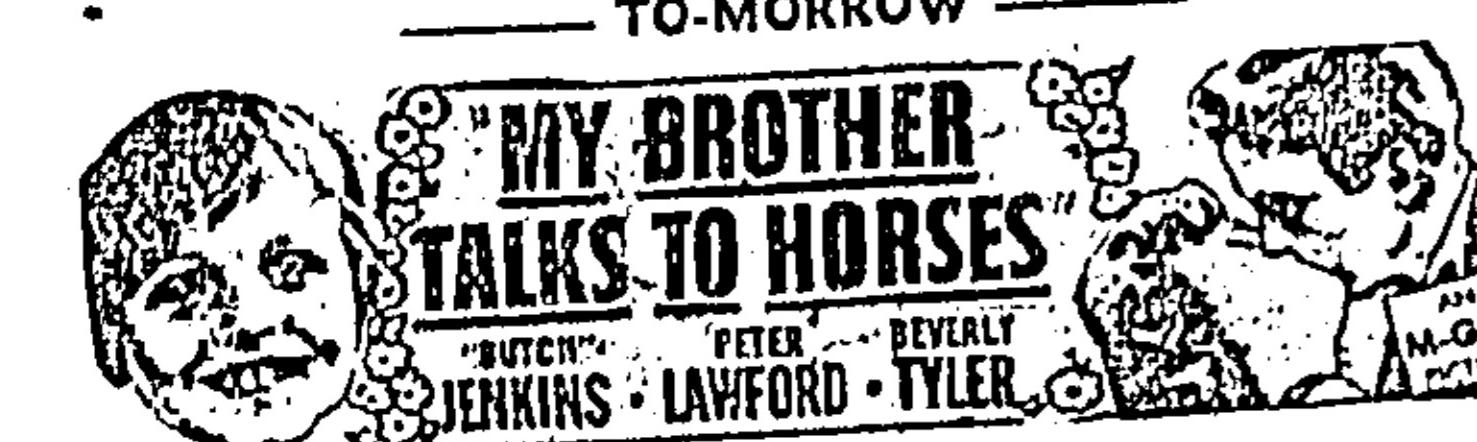
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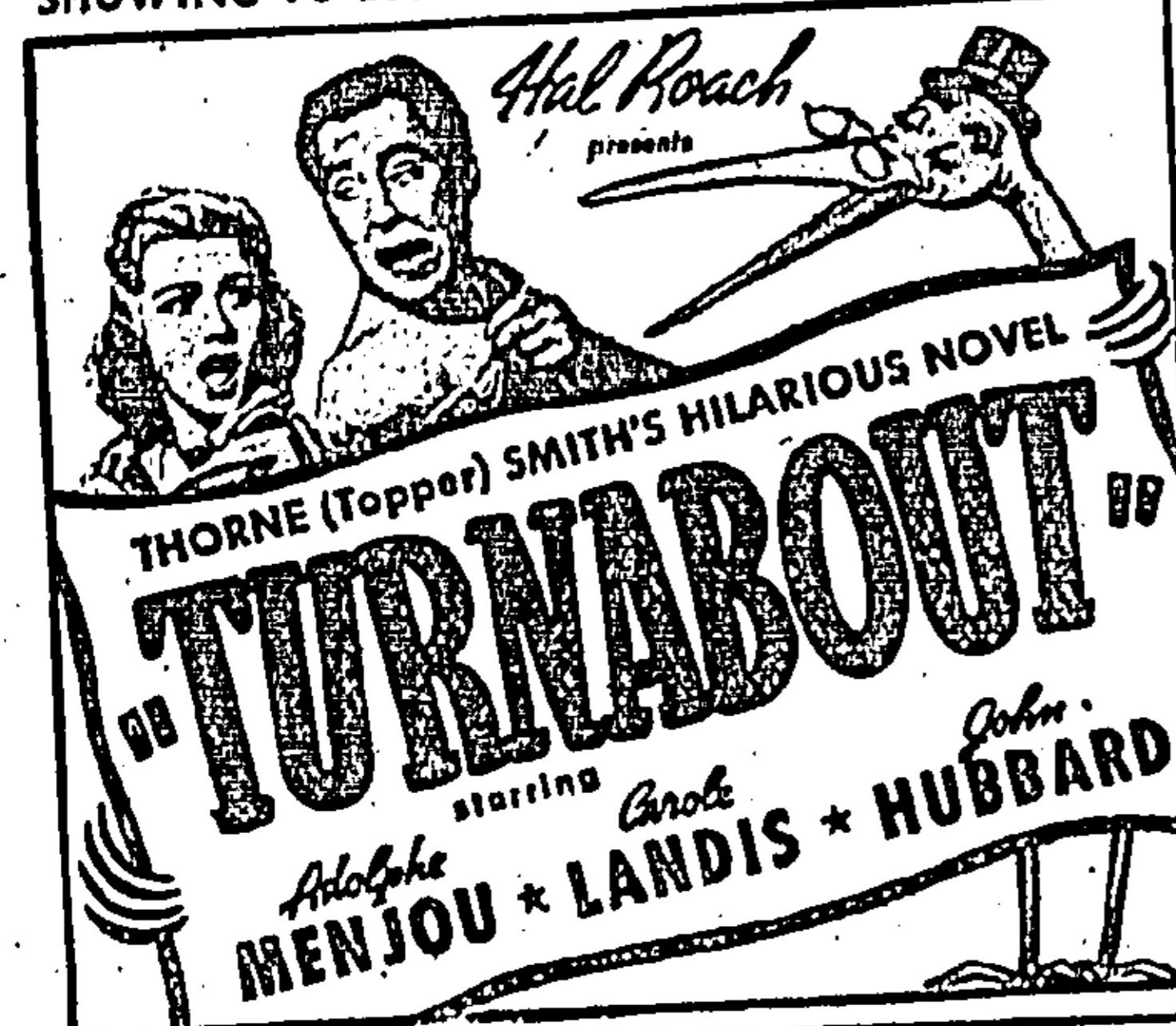
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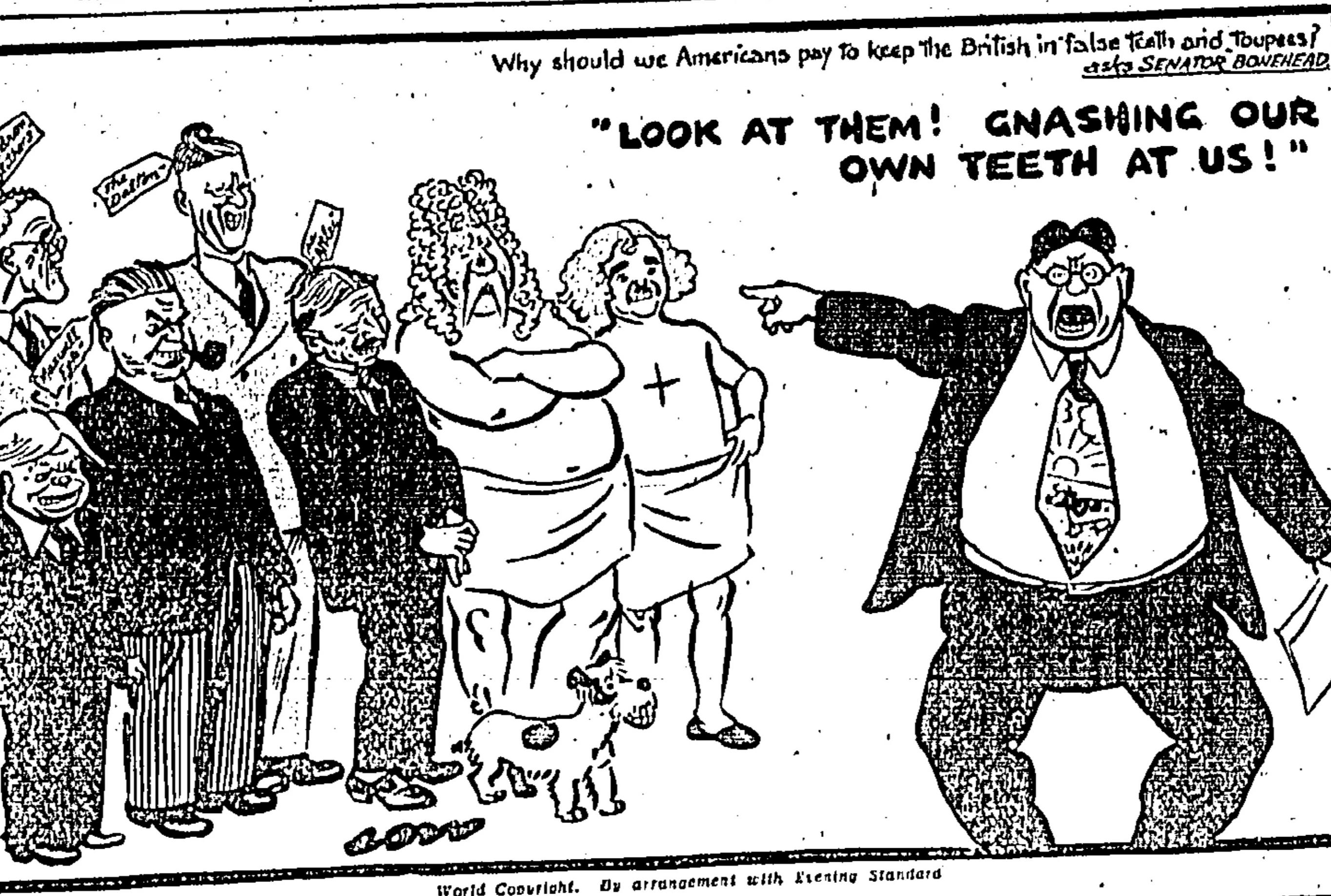
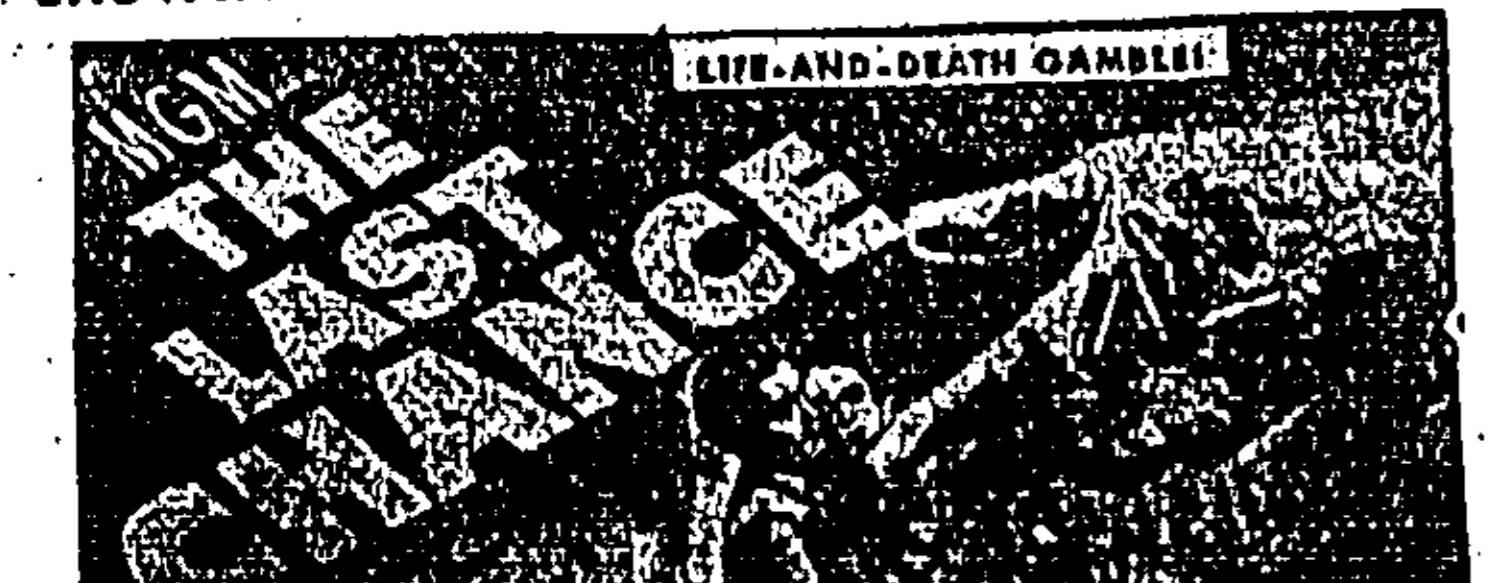
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Working Man's Picture Gallery

By RONALD BOXALL

London, Apr. 8. **M**OST Londoners, who use the Underground are in a hurry—hurrying to work or hurrying home, dashing to a cinema in time for the last performance, or dashing home to get to bed before midnight. When they are not in a hurry, they are tired. Too tired or too intent on getting where they are going to worry about such a thing as Art."

Yet the London Transport Executive, which operates not only the vast and intricate "tube" system, but also the bus, trolley-bus and tram services—and more recently, a water-bus service on the Thames—has become the patron of a new art medium which, for want of a better term, is called "commercial art."

Commercial art is exactly what its name suggests. The "high-brows" may scorn it because of its undisguised profit-motif motive, but it is becoming too big to ignore. Artists are no longer content to live in a garret on bread and cheese and their dreams of immortality. There is big money in advertising and poster designing, and artists are only human.

LONDON TYPES

A third is one of a series of London Characters painted in oils by E. A. Cox. It shows that best-known—but nowadays rather maligned—London character, the costermonger or, as the caption says, "the non-profitter."

There are glorious views of Chingford, Uxbridge, Kew Gardens, Richmond Park, Windsor Castle, Wimbledon Common, and St Albans—all on London Transport routes.

The London Transport Executive has one big advantage over other commercial advertisers—they do not expect, nor require, immediate returns. Their main concern is to make Mister Public travel-conscious. They know, of course, that he cannot help but take a bus or tube train to work in the morning and home again at night, but they don't want him to idle away his leisure time at home. They want him to go out and about on Underground, bus or tram.

SUBTLE WAY

And they have hit on a very subtle way of enticing him out of doors. In doing so, they have become one of the principal sponsors of the better form of commercial art.

Pictures through, the gay twenties, and the uneasy thirties—and pictures through the Second Great War. Among these is one of a series done by Eric Kennington, entitled "Seeing it through," which showed the men and women who kept London's public transport system working through dark days and long nights.

MRS. PORTER

The one that has been chosen for this exhibition depicts a woman porter on the tube, and was accompanied by the following verse, written by A.P. Herbert:

Thank you, Mrs. Porter,
For a good job stoutly done;
Your voice is clear, and the
Hun can hear
When you cry "South
Kensington!"

The world must hurry homeward,
The soldier on his way,
And the wheels whizz round
On the Underground
At the voice of the girls in grey.

How calm the voices are—
"Upminster train! That man
again!"
Pass farther down the car!"

And so to 1949. The latest poster shows a street market scene by A.R. Thomson, R.A., which, apart from its pictorial beauty, is specially interesting as an example of the very latest colour printing technique.

BEST POSTERS

With this in mind, the London Transport Executive have collected some of the best posters that have appeared in tube stations and at bus terminals in the past forty years, and put them on view at the Victoria and Albert Museum in an exhibition entitled "Art For All".

Pestwar London is slowly regaining some of its lost splendour. The bright lights are back and, now that Spring is in the air, local authorities are getting on with the job of beautifying the public parks. But Londoners (and Sir Stafford Cripps) are still living in austere times. By continuing to produce posters which rank with the best in the world, London Transport can speed up the process of "getting back to normal".

There are 128 pictures on view, each one the best of commercial art in its day.

—(London Express Service).

Sitting on the Fence... by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

THE Sparrow's wife was crying in one corner of the Nest while the Sparrow scowled, nursing a hangover in the other.

Tears rolled down her beak, dripping on to the little bit of newspaper she held in her claw.

"What's happened now?" asked the Sparrow. "Is the world on fire, or what?"

"Oh, it's too awful," said his wife. "I don't know how I can bear it."

"Bear what?" shouted the Sparrow. "For heaven's sake say what's on that mind you're supposed to have."

"They're so hungry in China," said his wife, dabbling at her eye with a square inch of handkerchief, "that they're eating sparrows' eggs."

"Well, what of it?" asked the Sparrow. "They eat hen's eggs, don't they?"

"But sparrows' eggs. It's as if they were eating your children."

"China's the one place where I'm sure I have no children," said the Sparrow. "It's too far away."

"But suppose it had been one of our very own? Suppose it had been little Ronnie?"

"Our little problem child? It would have saved a lot of trouble if somebody had eaten him when he was an egg."

"Oh, how awful. How could you say such a thing? Poor little Ronnie!"

"I'd have poisoned anybody who had eaten him," said the Sparrow. "He was addled from the start."

"He was a lovely egg," said his wife, "and a lovely baby."

"Screwy from the day he was hatched," said the Sparrow.

Fresh tears poured down his wife's beak, reducing the little bit of newspaper to pulp.

"Do you think they will ever eat sparrows' eggs over here?" she asked.

"They will if the Ministry of Food keeps on saying more hen's eggs are on the way. It's a sure sign that there'll be a shortage."

"But they're supposed to be so fond of birds over here."

"They're supposed to be fond of horses, too. But they're eating them just the same."

"When I'll smash them all as soon as they're laid, I won't have them eaten."

"Won't have what eaten?" asked the Sparrow. "Do you mean to say that there'll be another tender secret?"

"I always do in the spring," said his wife.

"With all this moaning and groaning another lot of Ronnies, I suppose," said the Sparrow, flying off to the Tree Tops Club for consolation.

"Drat um all, that's what I say. Drat um all."

"What about the littlest Bloodsucker?"

"That's the income tax man.

There's no tax money to pay his wages, neither. So he's a-sweepin' of the roads?"

"Drat um all, that's what I say. Drat um all."

"What about the littlest Bloodsucker?"

"That's the income tax man.

No."

"It says in the paper that the

income tax department of the

Inland Revenue was 100 years old last week."

"That doesn't mean that Mr Bloodsucker is 100 years old."

"But he might be."

"Yes he might."

"Perhaps that's why he's advanced twenty years. Young

men, on whom the main burden of taxation falls, have either you don't owe?"

"Perhaps."

"And why he writes to you two or three times a week. Perhaps he's so old he forgets who he has written to?"

"Possibly."

"And perhaps it's why he's been going back six years and making you pay for mistakes he made when he was 94?"

"With centenarians anything is possible."

"Does he use an ear trumpet?"

"Yes."

"Do his clerks shout down him?"

"Of course."

"Can he hear what they say?"

"Not always."

"What happens when he can't hear?"

"He shouts back 'Write to Gubbins again!'"

"How old is Mrs Bloodsucker?"

"Ninety-nine."

"How old is their eldest child?"

"Seventy-eight, and a half."

"Boy or girl?"

"Mrs. Bloodsucker married when she was twenty-one and a half!"

"Twenty-six and a half."

"Was she beautiful?"

"No."

"Glasses and mousy hair?"

"Yes."

"What was Mrs. Bloodsucker like?"

"Glasses and mousy hair."

"Did they both like glasses and mousy hair?"

"Adored them."

"What is Mrs. Bloodsucker's other name?"

"Bert."

"Bert Bloodsucker?"

"Obviously."

"What's his son's name?"

"Bert."

"Glasses and mousy hair?"

"Glasses, no hair."

"And his wife, too?"

"Glasses and white-mousy."

"Have they any children?"

"Boy and girl."

"How old?"

"Fifty-five and a half and fifty-two and three-quarters."

"Glasses and mousy hair?"

"Both of them."

"What's his name? Bert?"

"Yes, and his wife's name's Beryl."

Bert and Beryl Bloodsucker?"

"Of course."

"Have they any children?"

"They have two children called Bert and Beryl, aged approximately 24 and 22 respectively, both with glasses and mousy hair."

"What about the littlest Bloodsucker?"

"He is two and a quarter years old, his name is Bert, his hair is mousy and he was born wearing glasses."

"A man of shining virtue, too honest for the world!"

"A demon of unmentionable crimes."

"If he's anti-Christ or angel, or just old Uncle Joe, he's always 'Mr. Stalin' in the Times."

—(London Express Service).

By Ernie Bushmiller



Paris Peace Congress To Discuss Atlantic Pact

Paris, Apr. 19.—The World Congress for Peace, opening here tomorrow, will discuss the Atlantic Pact, Marshall aid and President Truman's foreign policy, a Congress spokesman announced tonight.

Religious leaders, scientists and artists are among the delegates from 59 countries attending the Congress, one of the largest meetings of its kind ever held.

Soviet Drive For More Livestock

Three-Year Plan

Moscow, Apr. 19.—The Russian Government and the Communist Party today issued a joint decree setting out the first steps in its new three-year plan for a vast increase in livestock and the production of food and raw materials.

Higher wages—with the award of the title of "Hero of Socialist Labour" in the most outstanding case—will be payable under the decree for increased cattle production.

All persons engaged in cattle breeding may retire at 50 on a 50-percent pension, but if they continue working they will receive full wages in addition. The decree gives its aim as "to stop lagging behind" in the cattle-breeding industry.

The new three-year plan also sets a 1951 target of a 50-percent increase of meat, fats, milk, butter, eggs, leather, wool and other products on collective farms.—Reuter.

A United Press message states that all newspapers today devoted three out of a total of four pages to the decree.

By 1951 collective and state farms are expected to possess roughly 40,000,000 large horned cattle in addition to cattle owned individually. Individual ownership at present accounts for 30,000,000 head.

The decree said Russian livestock was inadequate even before the war, while during the war the Germans slaughtered and took to Germany 70,000,000 head of horned cattle, horses, pigs and sheep.

BIG DEAL

London, Apr. 20.—The man who sells English Derby winners has made another big deal.

Leon Volterra, French racehorse owner and breeder, has sold Jack Hylton, London theatrical impresario, a share in the three-year-olds Royal Empire and Lord Drake.

Both are entered in the mile and a half Derby classic at Epsom on June 4. Royal Empire is offered by bookmakers at 25-1 and up. Lord Drake is at 10-1.

The transaction was disclosed yesterday. Sale price and the percentage of Hylton's share were not known.—Associated Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You've got more shirts to wash than you used to have, Mrs. Jones—I guess prosperity means more work for all of us!"

COW WITH A WOODEN LEG



'Crip,' a three-year-old brown Swiss cow, stands patiently as owner Howard Martin of Union, Ia., makes an adjustment to her wooden leg she's worn for two years. The leg was amputated at the hock after an infection resulted from a fall. Because he wanted to save the calf she was carrying at the time and because she represented one of the best blood lines in his herd, Martin fashioned the artificial leg. Although not quite as active as other cows in the herd, Martin says "'Crip's" habits haven't changed much because of the handicap.—AP Picture.

Hongkong Telephone Co. v Govt: Arbitration Court Hearing

(Continued from Page 1)

Mr Lonsdale then referred to a letter dated April 14, 1949, from Government to the Telephone Company. He said that throughout the time that these negotiations took place there had been no agreement which resulted in the arbitration agreement. Government were under the assumption which they believed to be well-founded that they were being asked to increase the lawful rates and charges under the Ordinance and the Defence Regulations, and that in fact the figures supplied in support of that application referred to lawful rates and charges to which they were able by co-ordinating the application and the figures to claim a small judicial decision.

Government, he said, had more than one interest in this matter. There was the question of facilities on which they were paid on calls of over 12 pence which were available for distribution. Any increase in rates and charges would automatically result in increase of royalties.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Government's interest primarily was the interest of the public and protection of the public. It was his submission that Government had never "agreed" to this matter and had never been in a position to agree that the application which had been made was never for increase in rates and charges but an increase in rates and charges plus unlawful rates.

Mr McNeill said that the arbitrators could not consider charges which were not permissible.

Mr Lonsdale said he agreed and went on to say that the primary duty of fixing rates lay between the Company and the Government, and Government had never been in a position to agree or disagree because there had been misrepresentation.

Mr Potter: You are not suggesting fraudulent misrepresentation.

Mr Lonsdale: I do not say it is fraudulent. It might have been innocent misrepresentation.

Mr McNeill: I understand that this is an agreement between Government and the Telephone Company. I think we are entitled to assume that the signature of the Crown Solicitor is an authorised signature. I feel that our duty as arbitrators is going to be to take any action on what you are saying, other than adjourning, on your undertaking to apply to the Court for revocation of the agreement, but the Arbitrators understood that had since been withdrawn.

Mr Lonsdale interrupted to say the Arbitrators had understood him wrongly. He had said he was unable to make an application to the Court because of the insufficiency of information to the unlawfulness of the charges in view of the short period of time since Government became aware of it.

Investigation would have to be carried out in due course, and he could see no reason why it could not be carried out now in order to consider whether any application should be made to the Court to revoke the submission to arbitration.

Mr Lonsdale added that, if it was a case of minor irregularities Government would not make a point of upsetting the arbitration. It was his intention at this stage to make application to the arbitrators to exercise their powers under section 40 to enquire into the accounts of the Telephone Company, as that they might know to what extent the charges made had been lawful or unlawful.

He said, "I was not asking at this stage for an adjournment to bring an application before the Court, but he was asking for an adjournment to pursue investigations which would be re-

Indian Plan For Colonies Arouses UN Interest

Lake Success, Apr. 19.—Half the members of the United Nations have now expressed their views on the future of the Italian colonies, but the result of the General Assembly's action still remains in doubt.

Meanwhile, considerable interest has been aroused in United Nations circles by an Indian proposal. While supporting the general Soviet and Arab line that all former colonies should be placed under United Nations trusteeship, India would like the Big Powers to be left out of any administration.

It is too early for observers to determine how much support this proposal may receive. The Arab delegation, in particular, have not expressed their view. But it is considered in some circles to have the virtue of not making the administration of the colonies a stamping ground for Big Power disagreements.

Some observers also see in it the advantage that it would not give the Soviet Union a foothold in the administration of the North African territories.

From the 29 declarations made so far the following pattern has emerged:

Seventeen nations have expressed themselves in favour of giving Britain trusteeship over Cyrenaica and of returning Somaliland to Italian administration under a trusteeship agreement.

Twelve countries are on record for a return of Tripolitania to Italian administration, and 10 have recognised France's claim to administer the Fezzan.

The largest measure of unanimity so far has been for the Ethiopian claims to part of Eritrea, giving an access to the sea.

Twenty-one of the 29 nations have favoured giving Ethiopia at least part of Eritrea, either by annexation or under trusteeship.

DEADLOCK FEARS

Although this preliminary survey of opinion shows a certain amount of agreement on certain parts of the problem, diplomatic observers here still fear that a deadlock may be reached in attempting to find an overall solution.

The General Assembly's Political Committee, apart from divergences over details of administration, now appears to be splitting into two widely separated camps.

1.—Those who want a general United Nations trusteeship over all the colonies.

2.—The supporters of individual trusteeship administrations.

The chief supporters of the first proposal are India, the Soviet Union and the Arab States. Their total strength in the final voting is expected to reach about 18. While this figure would not be sufficient to put through any one proposal, it is considered likely here that it may be large enough to block a clear two-thirds majority for any other proposal.—Reuter.

The Schedule also provided a miscellany of services at such rates as the Governor-in-Council should approve, and removals were included under that heading. There was provision for the inspection of accounts and auditing by an authorized auditor appointed by the Governor-in-Council, and for reporting to the Government in respect of royalties.

ABLE TO TAKE OVER

There were also sections providing for penalties for breaches of the Ordinance, and in certain contingencies Government could also take over the telephone system. The last provision was that on which Section 40 was based, and provided that none of the statutory rates of subscription set out in the Schedule should operate except in certain contingencies.

There was mention of a period of two years before that took place, notices must be given in writing and the matter might go before an arbitrator if there was any disagreement. If the arbitrator came to certain conclusions on the facts, he was allowed to do certain things to the charges, but again the arbitrator was controlled as to what he could do.

Taking the whole of the provisions of the Ordinance into account, and without referring to the historical basis of the Company, it was clear that the Ordinance was drafted and passed with the very fixed intention of rigid control on the matter of rates, while the Company could charge the public, said Mr Lonsdale. He added, "I am sure that the public would be prepared to give every possible assistance and information to Government. In fact, he added, the accounts continuing

to be drawn up in the old manner, the balance of the 1947 Working account would have disclosed a record figure.

Speaking of War Risk insurance, Mr Lonsdale said that

no notable change in this type of insurance was the decision

announced in November 1948

that as from January 1, 1949,

the British Market would revert to the "Waterborne" War Risk Clauses of 1938.

"I fear this is a sad reflection on the unenvy times in which we live," he added.

At the meeting it was decided to appropriate a balance of \$1,513,845 as follows: To pay a dividend of \$14 per share, free of tax; to transfer to Reserve for contingencies \$101,407; and to carry forward \$712,438.

Members of the Consulting Committee present at the meeting were: The Hon. D. F. Landale (Chairman), Mr. F. C. Barry, Mr. D. E. Clark, The Hon. Sir Man Kuan Lo, Mr. W. A. Stewart, Mr. S. T. Williamson and Mr. K. A. Mason (Secretary).

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Radio Hongkong

HK Delegation To BIF Leaves

The Hongkong delegation to the British Industries Fair, numbering 33, took off from Kai Tak flying boat on the first lap of their journey to London.

They were seen off by Mr. J. W. Ferris, secretary of the Hongkong BIF Committee, Mr. Paul K. C. Tsui, of the Department of Commerce and Industry, and others. Mr. Ferris read to the delegation a message of good wishes from H.E. the Governor.

11.15 Weather Report and Close

LESSONS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL

The Scots Showed Up England's Weak Points

By VERNON MORGAN

England's totally unexpected defeat by Scotland at Wembley is not regarded by leading officials as a disaster, but as something which had to come sooner or later. That it came at Wembley and taught the selectors a salutary lesson is regarded as being much better than if it had come next month in Stockholm when England meets Sweden, the Olympic champions and regarded as one of the finest teams in the world.

Steps can now be taken to plug the holes that the Scots discovered in the English defence and find forwards not so likely to be thrown off their game by a vigorous defence.

England should of course have won the match against Scotland in the first half-hour. It has been an axiom of the present English international side to get the first goal quickly and then ram home the advantage. Hitherto, this has been very successful and England has got quick goals and won the match in the first half-hour.

At Wembley, one was able to see what happens when the expected early goal does not materialise, whether it is owing to bad play or bad luck. It was in fact the latter at Wembley, but that is really beside the point.

What lessons were learned by the English selectors?

First, that perhaps Frank Swift, the giant goal-keeper who has done such great work for England in the past is not the player he used to be. With growing years his eye is not so keen, nor his limbs.

This comment is qualified by the statement that neither he nor any other goal-keeper could have been expected to save any of the three goals which beat him at Wembley.

POOR DEFENCE

Neither of England's two backs, Howe of Derby County, nor Aston of Manchester United did well. Their tactics appeared to be at fault for they played too far up the field, leaving only Franklin, that heroic centre-half, to hold the whole Scottish attack. But for the magnificent display of Franklin, the Scots would have scored many more goals.

Probably Howe will be dropped for the continental tour and Aston, who was the stodier, retained.

England were finely served at half-back by Wright as well as Franklin, Wright, the English captain, played his usual strong game and he is sure to play for England and almost certainly to captain the side again.

But there is talk among the "high-ups" of putting the versatile Wright into the attack and he may appear as one of the inside against Sweden and France.

Little Coakburn, left-half of Manchester United, had poor match but he will not necessarily be discarded, especially if Wright goes into the attack.

England's attack would hardly have been the same without the wizard winger, Stanley Matthews, but it certainly did not look a little at Wembley as if he had passed his best. There comes a time for all great players when the peak has been reached and the selectors might feel that this is the case with Matthews.

Should he go, Finney might be transferred from the left-wing to the right, his normal club position. Finney too was below form at Wembley, where he did too much "fiddling" about.

ONE CERTAINTY

Matthews' club-mate, Mortenson, is a certainty. This virile player was in superb form at Wembley and without him any English forward line would be incomplete. He is England's match-winner number one.

There looks to be a vacancy, however, at centre-forward where Milburn does not quite fill the vacancy that Tommy Lawton has left. It is extremely unlikely that Lawton will be recalled and if Milburn, who is weak with his head, does not retain his place, a newcomer may be given his chance to lead the attack.

Pearson, the Manchester United inside-left is one who will almost certainly be dropped. If Wright plays up in the forward line, another inside-forward would not be needed, but if Finney switches to the right wing a new outside left would have to be found.

Two players who have impressed the selection committee, one team, are Leuty, the Derby County half-back, who

WHEN ALEX JAMES WENT WRONG

Few people, save the Scots themselves, would have predicted a victory for Scotland over England by three goals to one at Wembley on Saturday, April 9. Among those who went wrong were Alex James. His reasons for thinking the Scots could not make it, are here in his own words:

Saturday's Wembley International looks about as big a certainty as ever was for England—that is, if you are going to judge the teams on paper.

Both the F.A. and the Scottish F.A. shied from anything like a gamble in team selection. I may be wrong, but I have a feeling that the Scotland selectors blundered in not picking more Anglo's. The Wembley Wizards pulled their historic match out of the bag two years ago—but there were 21 Angie's in the side.

Don't write Scotland off as a dead loss. You can't judge international games by ordinary standards.

There is—the incentive that can make even an ordinary player rise to great heights. It plays both ways, of course.

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—(London Express Service)

MARKING MATTHEWS

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Third Division (Southern)	
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Scottish "A"	
Third L. 3	Hibernian 2

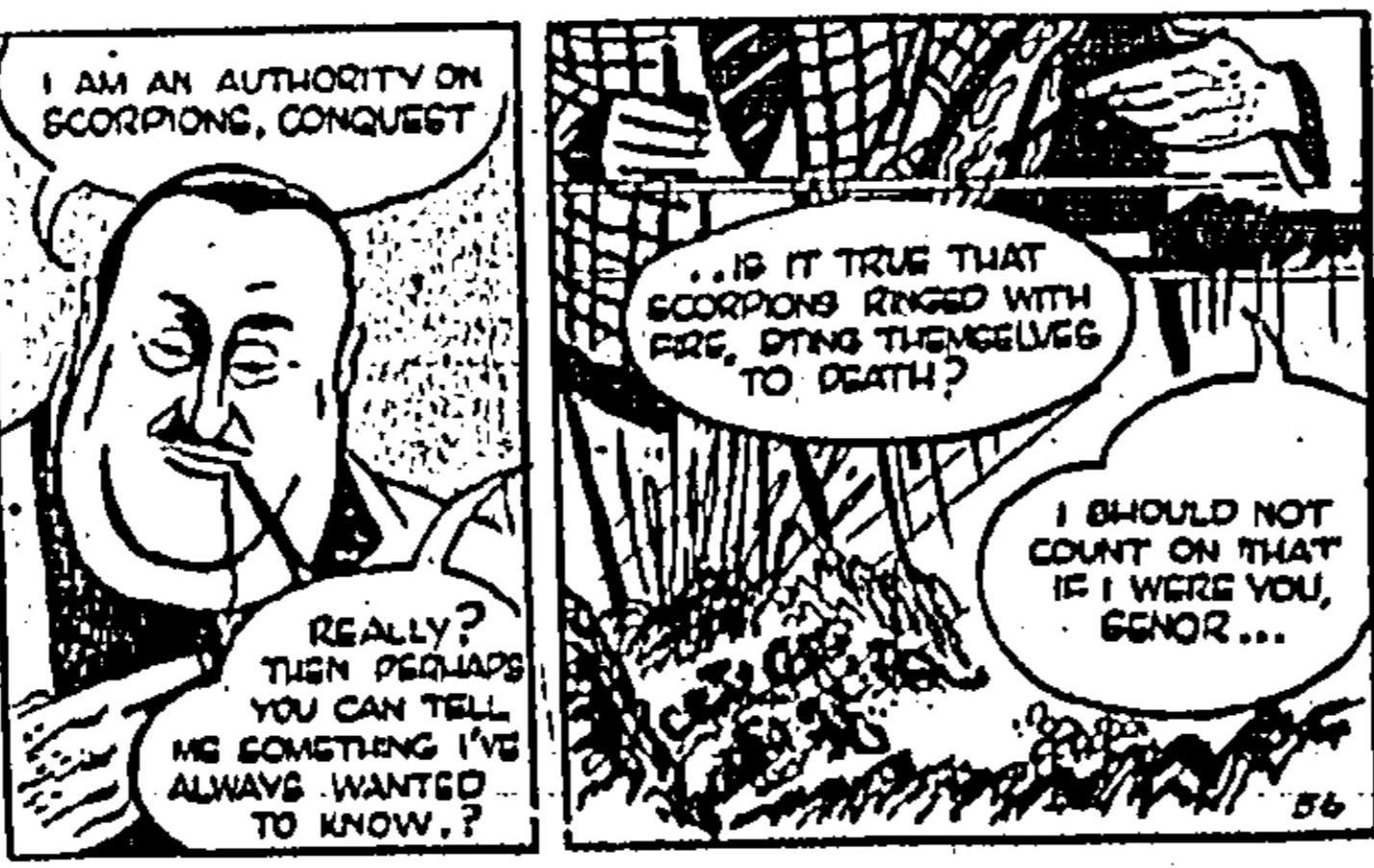
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VERSATILE BACKS

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USA v. Argentina



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Yankee Power Turns Back Washington

New York, Apr. 19.—Gatekeeper Charlie Latham, himself an old Major Lengerer, watched Ed Barrow lay a wreath on the bronze memorial to Babe Ruth in centre field today, then with tears in his eyes said, "Out there — there lies the old Yankee power."

For eight and two-thirds innings of today's opener with Washington Senators it seemed as if Latham was right. For there was no boom in the Yankee lineup as in those glorious days of yore, those days of Ruth and Lou Gehrig, whose monument previously had been set up in centre field.

But with the score tied two all and two out in the ninth, up stepped Tommy Henrich, one of the few remaining symbols of the old time Yankee power, and he blasted a homer into the right field seats to make it a 3-2 Yankee victory.

Earlier Ed Robinson had homered for Washington, and it looked like extra innings as Ed Lopat and Sid Hudson settled down into a determined duel. Lopat gave up eight hits and Hudson nine.

TIGERS WIN

Power from a new generator sparked Detroit Tigers as greenhorn Johnny Groth blasted two homers in a 5-1 triumph over lefty Hal Newhouse over White Sox at Detroit. Newhouse, who won 21 games last year, pitched a three-hitter to gain his fourth straight opening day victory. Aaron Robinson, his battery mate who was with the White Sox last year, also hit a homer and two runs in the second that gave Prince Hal all the lead he needed.

At Philadelphia, lefty Lou Brissie scored his second straight opening day triumph over Red Sox; holding them to seven hits, six of them singles. Loser Joe Dobson was tagged for 10 hits including a homer by Eddie Joost that gave Brissie his winning margin.

Once again Bobby Feller fired blank bullets. He was no puzzle to Browns, who batted him out after two innings in a 5-1 victory over world champion Indians at St. Louis. The one-time mound master was just another hurler as Ned Garver took the lures.

At Brooklyn, Dodgers capitalized on two big four-run rallies to defeat Giants 10-3.

They took the cue from the power-minded Giants and Carl Fornillo, Jackie Robinson and Roy Campanella hit homers off Larry Jansen. Lefty Joe Hartman scattered ten hits, one a homer by Bill Rigney to gain the victory.

Veteran Ken Raffensberger, who pitched two one-hit victories over Cardinals last year, beat them 3-1 at Cincinnati, scattering five hits. All of Cincinnati's runs were unearned, the result of errors by first baseman Nippy Jones and third baseman Tommy Glaviano. The only Cardinal run was a homer by Enos Slaughter.

THE SCORES

Today's scores were:

American League

Boston	2	R	H	E
Philadelphia	3	10	7	0
Red Sox	p. Dobson, Ferris; c. Tebbetts.			

Athletics: p. Brissie; c. Rosar.

Chicago 1 3 1

Detroit 5 7 0

White Sox: p. Gebrian; c. Tipon.

Tigers: p. Newhouse; c. Robinson.

Washington 2 8 0

New York 3 9 0

Senators: p. Hudson; c. Evans.

Yankees: p. Lopat; c. McFarlan.

Cleveland 1 7 2

St. Louis 5 8 1

Indians: p. Feller; c. Maharrutta (C. Smirke). Ten Spot (Douglas Smith), Liberty Light (T. Gosling), Performance (Billy Cook), Alzarene (H. Packham), Bonbar (S. Greathurst), and Humming Bird (C. Orton).—Reuter.

Phillies: p. Simons; Trinkle; c. Lopat.

Braves: p. Spahn, Potter; c. Mast.

Philadelphia (nightcap) 2 9 2

Boston 11 12 2

Phillies: p. Meyer, Donnelly, Bicknell; c. Wagner.

Braves: p. Bickford; Salkeld.

HOCKEY FIXTURES

QUADRANGULAR TOURNAMENT

Thursday, April 21

Civilians v. Navy: King's Park, RNRC (1). 5.30 p.m.; Umpires: S/Cdr. Padley and F/Sgt. Connolly.

Friday, April 22

RAF v HK Police: Kai Tak, 5.30 p.m.; Umpires: S.B.P.O. Yeomans and A.M. Silva.

Khalifa v YMCA: Sookunpong, 5.30 p.m.; Umpires: G.T. Palmer and E.R.A. Miller.

INTERNATIONALS

Saturday, April 23

India v Scotland; Kling's Park, RNRC (1). 3.30 p.m.; Umpires: Yeo Seng Gater and P.F. Xavier.

Sunday, April 24

Portugal v Pakistan; King's Park, RNRC (1). 10. a.m.; Umpires: A.E.P. Guest and Captain Chinnell.

All umpires are requested to confirm by phone (30361 Ext. 117) as soon as possible. Secretaries are requested to ensure prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum of ten minutes delay will be allowed. Will umpires please notify result as soon as possible after the match.

CIVILIANS' TEAM

The following will represent the Civilians v. the Royal Navy in the Quadrangular Hockey Tournament to be played on the Navy No. 1 Ground, King's Park at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow:

G. Mass (HK Police); Nery Van Der Voort (Recreo); Leon Tye Hin (HKU); W. A. Reed, Captain (Recreo); Bhagat Singh (Khalifa); J. Sooren (Recreo); Yusef (HK Police); E. Fowler (CS); P. Rull (C & W); and H. Xavier (C & W).

Reserves: G. S. Cannon (CS); A. M. Alves (Recreo); K. (DRC); R. Marques (Recreo);

Colours: White.

Those who are unable to play are requested to communicate with Mr. A. E. P. Guest, Tel. 21280, Res. 57807.

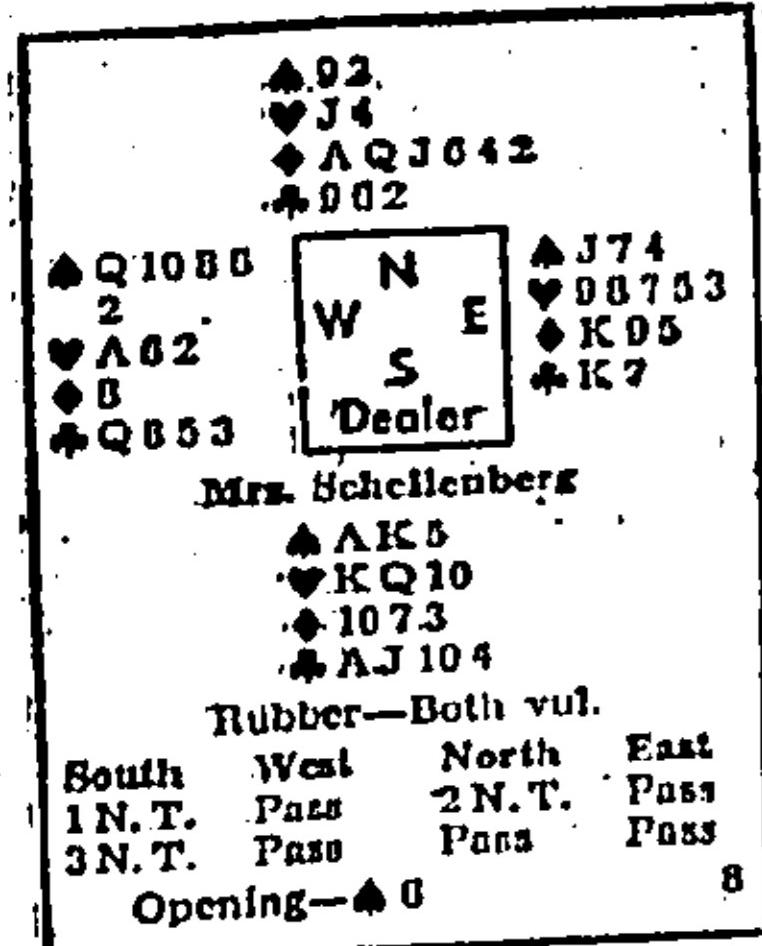
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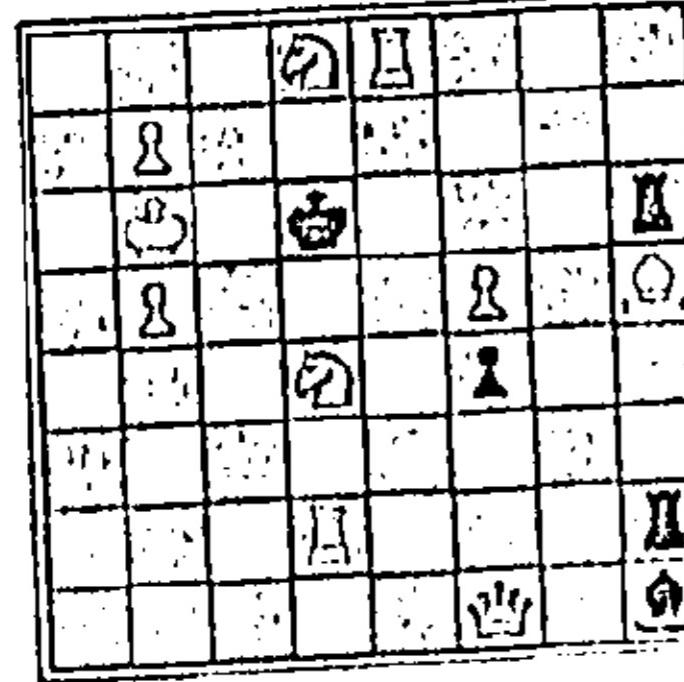
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CHESS PROBLEM

By ARTHUR A. PAUL
Black, 5 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1, P-K4; any; 2, B, or Kt mates.

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

IT is sometimes surprising how little we know of the background of our associates. Bridge players often play in tournaments from three days to a week, and seldom do I find one who knows anything about the others' business.

For example, Mrs. Ralph H. Schellenberg, with Harry J. Fishbein, has for years operated one of the largest bridge clubs in the United States, the Mayfair Bridge Club of New York.

Her biggest asset is her memory for names. The late Heywood Brown found her memory invaluable when she served as his secretary. While Fishbein is the bridge star of the Mayfair, Mrs. Schellenberg's memory for plays is so good that she often plays a hand with all of the skill of our finest experts. Today's hand is an example.

Mrs. Schellenberg (South) played low in the opening lead of the six of spades, but won the second spade lead with the ace. Now the average player might lay down the ten of diamonds and take the finesse. East would win and return a spade. Now declarer would have only five diamond tricks, a club trick and two spades.

Declarer must establish either the clubs or the hearts for the ninth trick. Mrs. Schellenberg remembered that one of her first lessons from the maestro was, "count your tricks, so instead of playing the diamond, she laid down the king of hearts."

West won and led back another spade which declarer won with the king. Now she took the diamond finesse and East had no more spades to return—so Mrs. Schellenberg made four odd.

Check Your Knowledge

1. In what continent is the Gobi Desert? 2. In what century was the Kremlin, Moscow, U.S.S.R. built?

3. What spice is the dried covering of the seed of the nutmeg?

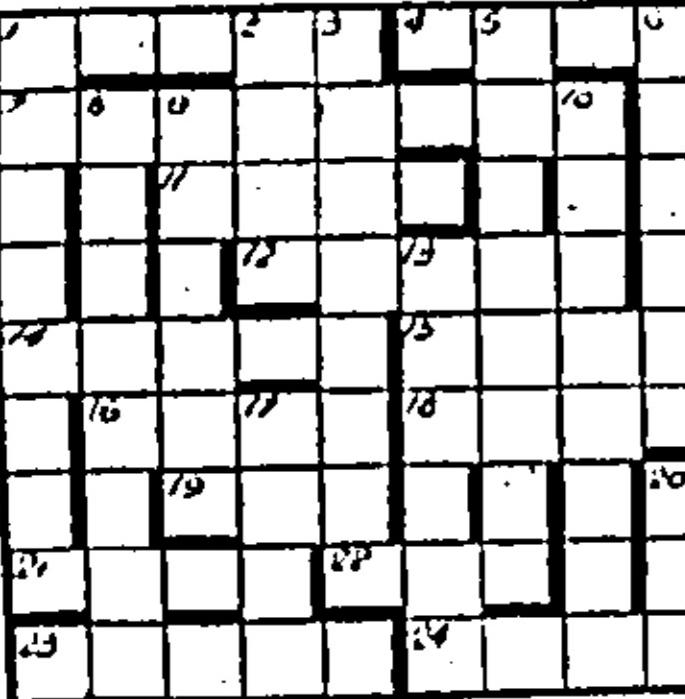
4. Why are dykes used in Holland?

5. How many classes of bankruptcy are there?

6. Name the capital of Australia.

(Answers at foot of Column.)

CROSSWORD



Across:
1 and 3. Baboon king (anag.).
4 and 6. Down on the farm any hay may lay this way. (3-6)
7. Dry and cold. (8)
11. Take a quick look. (4)
12. A man who has enriched himself in the East. (9)
14. A muscular spasm. (5)
15. Signature of many letters to the Editor. (4)
16. Taken from a cantankerous. (4)
19. Seed to worthless adoration. (4)
22. This for your mark. (9)
23. A dock has made a request. (5)
24. Old time. (4)
Down:
1. Vegetable. (3)
2. Eager. (4)
3. See 1 Across.
5. His activities are often above ground level. (6)
6. Stone. (3)
8. The start of the river. (6)
10. Find a bone for a change. (6)
13. Barely a change on the farm. (6)
17. Head cover. (4)
20. It's oldish. (4)

Answers at foot of Column.

Rupert & the live toys—9



The little friends trot into the wood to begin their search. "Let's go different ways," says Sylvia. "Then if we find anything we can call to each other." She runs off and is quickly out of sight, while Rupert wanders the other way. Suddenly he starts forwards, for in front of him is the very thing they are searching for—the mysterious parachute. "What a tiny basket," he thinks. "This is very queer. Where can it have come from? And why did it come?"

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And that, of course, really cured Willy.

BRONCHO BILL

BY HARRY F. O'NEILL

Illustrations by Frank McEntee

The White Man's Medicine

BY HARRY F. O'NEILL

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POCKET CARTOON



Wants P.I. Consulates Closed In Australia

NEW MOVE IN GAMBOA CASE

New York, Apr. 19.—Philippine Congressman Jose Topacio Nueno said today he was cabling Manila tonight urging the closure of the Philippine Consulates in Australia in retaliation for the barring of Sergeant Lorenzo Gamboa.

Senator Nueno is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Philippines Congress and at present is serving with the delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

He told the United Press that Australia's racial policies and apparent United States determination to rehabilitate Japanese industry are among the biggest Pacific issues currently worrying Filipinos.

U.S. Troops Withdraw In Mock War

"Saboteurs" Gain Successes

Heidelberg, Apr. 19.—Seventy thousand United States troops with 1,200 tanks and armoured vehicles fell back today in the face of an imaginary 100,000-strong "aggressor force" attacking the American zone.

In the first phase of the American Occupation Army's full-dress spring manoeuvres, two Germans, working as mock enemy agents, "blew up" an important railway connection at the Mannheim Ordnance Depot within 75 yards of posted sentries, an Army spokesman disclosed.

The two Germans dressed as workmen by American "intelligence teams"—who plan "many surprises" for the defending troops—succeeded in placing and exploding dummy bomb charges at the Depot.

The heavy equipment would come in by sea, probably crated up as farm equipment and heavy machinery.

According to the Herald, the United States is not expected to establish a permanent base in Australia. The correspondent added: "It is regarded as significant that Britain's leading atomic scientist, Professor Oliphant, will arrive in Australia in July."—Reuter.

Graziani's Grave Illness

Rome, Apr. 19.—Former Marshal Rudolfo Graziani, ill in prison here for some weeks, is to be transferred to a military hospital because of the gravity of his condition, the military authorities said today.

It is understood that he suffered a stroke last week which paralysed his left side. The former Marshal's trial on charges of collaboration with the Germans began before a special civil tribunal in October, but after more than five months the court declared itself incompetent and ordered a trial by a military tribunal.—Reuter.

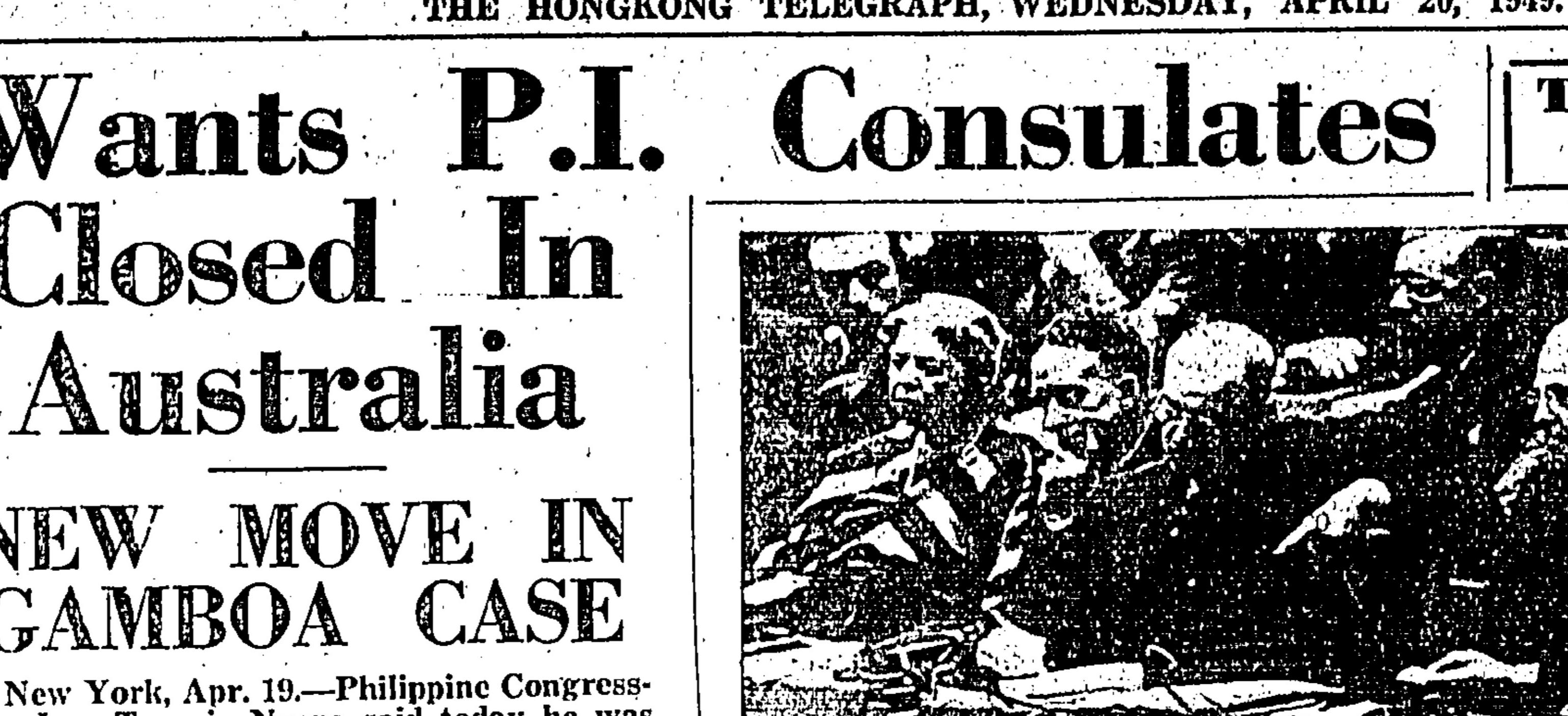
FIRE ON TENDER

Cork, Eire, Apr. 19.—A fire broke out in the Cork Harbour tender Blarney today while the vessel was bringing 200 passengers ashore from the American liner Washington.

No one was hurt but 200 mailbags were affected.—Reuter.



"Wonderfull Who's the schmo?"



The UN In Session



Arms For Atlantic Allies

Acheson To Make A Report

Washington, Apr. 19.—Mr Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, will give the Senate Foreign Relations Committee a report on Thursday on the American plans to arm her North Atlantic Allies.

The Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Tom Connally, said today that the Committee will meet in a secret session to hear Mr Acheson and will decide on a date for hearings on the Atlantic Treaty.

He said that, while the Senators will hear about the arms project in private, there is no intention of making details public at the present time.

Senator Connally added that when the Senate reaches the point of ratifying the Treaty then it can decide about the arms programme. He indicated that the arms project may not be made public until the Treaty is ratified.

Senator Connally said the Security Alliance "would be a good enterprise" even if there was no arms programme for the member nations. There has been some talk that the Treaty will not be brought before the Senate for ratification until most of President Truman's domestic legislation is out of the way. Senator Connally said, however, that he does not want to delay the Treaty too long. "We will try to edge in the Treaty somewhere," he declared.—Reuter.

Conference Will Seek To Remove Europe's Barriers

London, Apr. 19.—Plans to break down currency, trade and travel barriers between the countries of Europe will be discussed by nearly 300 delegates at a European Movement Economic Conference, opening here tomorrow.

The highlight of tomorrow's plenary session will be a speech by Britain's wartime leader, Mr Winston Churchill, one of the Movement's four Presidents of Honour. Other speakers will be M. Leon Jouhaux, Chairman of the Force Ouvrière of the Confederation Générale du Travail of France, and President of the International Council of the European Movement; and M. Paul Van Zeeland, former Belgian Prime Minister and President of the Economic League for European Co-operation.

Significant of the recognised influence of the European Movement is the fact that Mr A. V. Alexander, the Minister of Defence, will welcome the delegates on behalf of the Government.

Observers in London recall that the Labour Government decided on what was tantamount to a boycott of The Hague Congress in 1948, when the Movement was created out of disjoined organisations campaigning for European unity.

The ultimate economic objective of the European Movement will be fully thrashed out at this week's conference, which will last until April 25. The issues include:

TRAVEL RIGHTS

1.—That the currencies of European nations shall be freely inter-changeable.

2.—That Europeans shall have the right to travel freely in Europe.

3.—That Europeans shall have the right to sell their services freely anywhere in Europe.

4.—That goods produced by Europe shall be freely available to all European people.

Delegates representing 21 countries were arriving today, as the International Economic and Social Section of the Movement was already in private session preparing the groundwork for the talks.

Two American economists, and Professor Blend, an Australian, were also due to attend. The countries represented include Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, France, Italy, Britain, Greece, The Netherlands and the Western Zones of Germany.

Though unofficial in the sense that it is divorced from Government, the European Movement is influential and observers expect that Germans will closely study the recommendations by this week's conference.

The subject of Communism is not on the agenda, but it is unlikely to form a strong undercurrent to the discussions since any planning of a free European economy must pay attention to the countries of Eastern Europe.

Emigre anti-Communist representatives of Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia have been invited. The British Government will hold a reception for the delegates at the end of tomorrow's plenary session.

On subsequent days, the conference will split into committees. A public meeting will be held on April 23, with Sir John Anderson, a former Chancellor of the Exchequer, as Chairman.

Plenary sessions will occupy the last three days of the conference.—Reuter.

Meteor Jet Plane Crashes

Ludgershall, Wiltshire, Apr. 19.—A United States Air Force pilot was believed to have been badly injured after his Meteor jet plane crashed near here tonight. The pilot, whose name was given as Lieutenant Colonel Richard Orr, was taken to Tidworth Military Hospital. Lieutenant Colonel Orr is attached to the Fighter Command.—Reuter.

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AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 14th April, 1949 to 23rd April, 1949, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

R. A. WICKERSON,
Managing Director,
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